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## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. THE PROBLEM

In the military as well as the private sector there is always a demand to analyze much more information than a human analyst can process in a relative short time frame if at all. In general the analyst is required to interpolate information that comes from numerous sources and in various forms. These forms fall into basically three types: sounds, images, and text. In military applications, the intelligence officer might receive as data a string of sounds such as sonar sounds, aerial photographs of ships at sea, and a set of operational orders. Each of these data items contain a tremendous amount of information.

Take for example a picture of a ship alongside a dock. This picture contains a lot of information that is both explicit and implicit. The explicit information would be such things as the color of the ship, the type of ship, the ship's hull number, what type of dock, etc. The implicit information would be such items as where is the dock located what time of year the picture was taken, etc. All of this information is valuable to the military analyst in various degrees and what is not valuable to one analyst might be to another. The value of the data is in how the data is related to other data items that the analyst has.

The use of computers with database management systems has provided the analyst the ability to store and manipulate numbers and keywords in such a manner that makes the information useful to the analyst and decision makers. The analyst has the ability to do content searches in order to acquire related information. This technology is well understood. If we go back to our example given above though a

picture contains a vast amount of data. The phrase "a picture is worth a thousand words" takes on real significance at this point. The information that is key to the analyst can be both implicit and explicit. This now brings us to the problem of how should the picture be stored and what has to be done to retrieve the picture.

## B. A POSSIBLE SOLUTION

The abilities to physically store images, sounds and text in computers are tasks that have been accomplished in the recent years. At the present time in the experimental Multimedia Database System (MDBMS) at the Naval Postgraduate School we have the ability to physically store images [Ref. 1] and sounds [Ref.2]. The next problem to be conquered is how to store information about the picture or string of sounds and how do we retrieve such information. We have chosen to store the various types of data through the use of descriptive captions [Ref. 3]. These captions can be thought of in the same manner as those one would see in a book or magazine. It is our proposal that the descriptive captions for the MDBMS should use the English natural language.

The field of natural language processing has been an area of interest for 30 plus years to a number of disciplines such as Computer Science, Linguistics, and Education and to date has not been completely solved. There have been many attempts to solve this problem over the years with various algorithms and computer languages. We are not naive enough to believe that our program will in fact be a "complete" natural language processor. It is our hypothesis that descriptive captions are only a subset of the natural language and therefore a doable project. Descriptive captions should work as a natural interface for the multimedia database system.

### C. DESCRIPTION OF THESIS

This thesis is the preliminary work for the idea of a natural language processor for descriptive captions. The work that is described here was in three phases. The first phase was to determine the grammatical structure of captions from a random selection of books that contained pictures with captions. The second phase was to investigate the use of the computer to recognize the syntactic structure of the captions. The third phase was to start work on the correct semantic interpretations of given phrases.

The remaining chapters of this thesis provides some background to the problem and provides our method of approach to the problem. Chapter II provides a couple of examples of attempted solutions to natural language processing. Chapter III is an examination of our approach and the assumptions we made. Chapter IV is a detailed description of our program. Chapter V discusses the results of the output from the program. Finally, some conclusion and areas of follow-on research are presented in Chapter VI.

## **II. BACKGROUND**

### **A. INTRODUCTION**

Most work in the natural language field has focused on incorporating the full functionality of the English Language. Natural language processors usually contain three components: a parser, a semantic interpreter, and a contextual interpreter. This thesis deals primarily with the parser and to a lesser degree the semantic interpreter.

The role of the parser is to pick apart the structure (syntax) of an English sentence, using the information provided by the language's grammar, in order to help determine the sentence's meaning [Ref. 4:p. 229]. The following sections of this chapter provide an overview of the different types of grammars and parsing techniques that are currently being used in natural language processing systems. A description of a natural language interface system is also provided to illustrate some of these concepts.

### **B. TYPES OF GRAMMARS**

A grammar is defined as the formal specification of the structures allowable in a language [Ref. 5:p. 41]. This is the scheme for specifying the sentences that are allowed in the language, indicating the rules for combining words into well-formed phrases and clauses [Ref. 4:p. 229]. A grammar is a collection of rules that can be used in a systematic way to generate the sentences of a language by putting strong constraints on the patterns that are used in a language [Ref. 6:p. 72]. Some

grammars that have been developed are context-free, augmented phrase structure, recursive transition network, and augmented transitions network.

### 1. Context-free Grammars

A context-free grammar consists of a set of rules, each representing a labeled pattern to be matched against a sequence of constituents [Ref. 6:p. 82]. An example of a simple context free grammar is illustrated in Figure 1 (see Appendix C for a list of the abbreviations used). In this grammar the symbols on the left side of the arrow represent the pattern name while the symbols on the right represent the syntactic rules that make up the pattern. The symbols d(eterminer), adj(ective), noun, and verb located on the right hand side represent terminals of the grammar. These terminals represent word categories which are normally found in the lexicon.

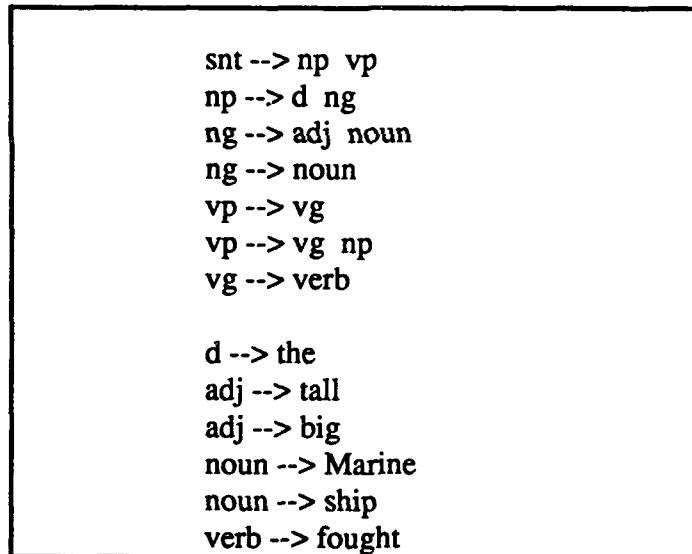
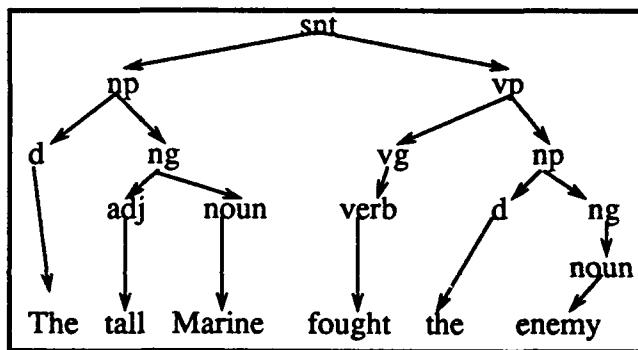


Figure 1 -Simplified Context-free Grammar

In a context-free grammar the left-hand side must only have a single nonterminal symbol. An important property to note is that every derivation can be

represented in a tree structure. Using the grammar of Figure 1 to illustrate this point, Figure 2 is a derivation of the sentence "The tall Marine fought the enemy".

The advantage of context-free grammars is that they are restrictive enough to allow an efficient parser to analyze sentences while at the same time they are able to handle most structures in natural languages [Ref. 5:p. 41]. A context-free grammar provides a simple way of describing the structures of a language and of setting up a correspondence between the knowledge structures, the structures generated in producing or recognizing a sentence, and the process of recognition and production [Ref. 6:p. 72].



**Figure 2 -Tree Structure Derivation**

## **2. Augmented Phrase Structure Grammar**

An augmented phrase structure grammar is an extension of the context-free grammar. The context-free grammar is augmented with role and feature registers, conditions, and actions. Roles and features are given to each syntactic category and a set of conditions and actions are attached to each rule. The conditions use the information in the role and features to prevent a rule from being applied if a test fails. The actions are used to set the role and features that are associated with the nodes of the constructed parse tree.[Ref. 6:p. 377]

### 3. Recursive Transition Networks

A recursive transition network (RTN) grammar consists of a set of labeled networks instead of a set of rules as with the context-free grammar described above. Figure 3 provides an example of a RTN using the context-free grammar of Figure 1. The basic structure of each network consists of a set of states, connected by labeled arcs. The arcs that are labeled with syntactic categories i.e., np, vp, etc., are also the label for a network. Each arc represents a transition between two states and is transversed by matching a sequence of input symbol the different networks. [Ref. 6:p. 197]

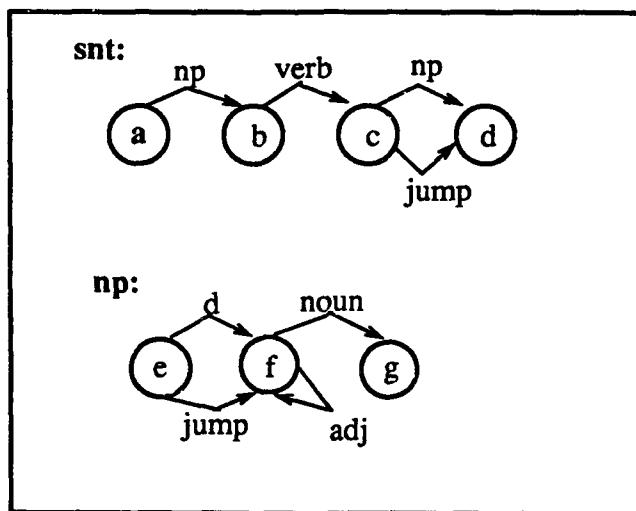


Figure 3 -Recursive Transition Network

### 4. Augmented Transition Networks

An augmented transition network (ATN) is similar to a recursive transition network as described above with some minor modifications. The major differences between these two approaches is that the nodes of an ATN are augmented with conditions and actions that are associated with the arcs of the network. The

conditions restrict the circumstances under which an arc can be taken while actions perform feature-marking and structure-building operations. [Ref. 6:p. 204]

The basic structure of an ATN is also similar to the RTN but it has some additional features. First the ATN uses a set of registers that store information about partially derived trees and jumps between different subnetworks. The second difference is that the arcs, in addition to being labeled, have tests that are associated with them. These tests must be satisfied before the arc can be taken. The last major difference is that certain actions may be attached to an arc that will be performed whenever an arc is taken.

## C. PARSING METHODS

Parsing methods can be divided into three different basic categories: top-down, bottom-up, and mixed-mode. Different grammars with various parsing algorithms lend themselves to the use of one of these types.

### 1. Top-Down

A top-down parser begins with the rules for the top level structure and looks at its constituents. It then looks at the rules for the constituents by breaking them down until the terminal levels of each applicable rule are reached and a complete sentence structure is formed. This structure is compared to the input data and if it matches the parse is complete; otherwise the parser starts back at the top level and generates another sentence structure. [Ref. 4:p. 259]

The primary advantage of the top-down method is that word categories that are not in their proper position in the sentence will not be considered. For example, using in the grammar in Figure 1 the sentence "The go ship" would not parse because the only thing that can follow the determiner "the" is a ng. A disadvantage to the top-down parsing though, is that the parser might take a long time to get to the actual

words because the same rule may have to be considered many times while the parser is searching of a solution. [Ref. 5:p. 66]

## **2. Bottom-Up**

A bottom-up parser begins with the words and looks for rules whose right-hand sides match. It then tries to combine these rules with each other and the remaining words into larger constituents, and proceeds up the structure tree until it is able to combine constituents covering the entire input into a single structure labeled with the distinguished symbol. [Ref. 6:p. 90]

The primary disadvantage of this method is that the parser must consider all senses of each word. This leads to grammar structures that should never be considered.

## **3. Mixed-Mode**

The mixed-mode method tries to combine the advantages of the top-down and the bottom-up methods. As seen in the two methods above it seems pretty clear that there needs to be a parsing method that would only consider words that are from the proper category while at the same time only construct the rules once. One way of accomplishing this is by modifying the top-down parser by adding a cache to it. The purpose of the cache is to hold the possible lexicon values for the word in the sentence. Then by adding a condition to the rules, as to what is allowed, those rules that do not have a matching condition will not be considered.

## **D. A REPRESENTATIVE SYSTEM**

Numerous applications require natural language interfaces. This has resulted in many attempts to attack/solve the natural language problem. One representative system is TEAM (Transportable English database Access Medium) which will be discussed next.

## **1. Overview**

TEAM is a transportable natural language interface system. TEAM was developed to test the feasibility of providing a natural language interface for databases. The key premise is that the system could be transported from one database to another. Another key concern was that when moving from one database to another the database expert and users of the database would not be required to have special knowledge about natural language processing.[Ref. 7:p. 175]

The system is used in two major ways: acquisition and question-answering. The acquisition mode is an interactive process in which the database expert provides information about the files and fields in the database, the conceptual concept, and the words and phrases used to refer to the concepts. The question-answering system provides the logical representations of the meanings from the natural language expressions that the user enters and then translates these representations into statements of the database query language. The question-answering system is encapsulated in DIALOGIC and it is the portion of TEAM that this thesis addresses.[Ref. 7:p. 177]

## **2. DIALOGIC**

DIALOGIC performs the task of transforming a query's literal meaning into a database query. In order to make the transformation, DIALOGIC must first construct a logical representation of the query's meaning. This is accomplished with the DIAGRAM grammar, the DIAMOND parser, and the lexicon.

### ***a. The DIAGRAM Grammar***

The DIAGRAM grammar is an augmented phrase structure grammar with rules that cover a broad spectrum of constructions, including all common sentence types, complex auxiliaries and modals, complex noun phrases, all the common

quantifiers, comparative and measure expressions, relative clauses and subordinate clauses, adverbial modifiers and a limited range of conjunctions. [Ref. 7:p. 185]

*b. The DIAMOND Parser*

The Diamond parser is a bottom-up parser and is designed to work closely with the augmented phrase structure grammar of DIAGRAM. As a bottom-up parser it tries to put together the pieces of the grammar as it comes to them. In order to do this it uses an active chart algorithm (see Ref. 6:pp 120-126 for further information) that keeps track of what has already been parsed. Using conditions and actions the parser weights the grammar rules constituents so that while the structure is being built it will build along the most likely path.[Ref. 6:pp. 381-382]

*c. The Lexicon*

The lexicon provides information about each word that is to be used in the database. The lexicon contains two different classes of words: the closed class and the open class. The closed class are those words that will be common from domain to domain. These are syntactic classes such as determiners, pronouns, and conjunctions. Open class words on the other hand are domain-dependent and are syntactic classes such as nouns, verbs and adjectives. For each sense of the word the lexicon maintains syntactic and semantic information.[Ref. 7:p. 178]

### **III. APPLICATION DESCRIPTION**

#### **A. ASSUMPTIONS**

##### **1. General**

When we started out this project our primary assumption was that captions were a subset of the natural language. It was our premise that we would find that captions were primarily fairly simple noun phrases and simple sentence constructions.

##### **2. Caption Selection**

We attempted to prove our premise by looking at a number of captions from different domains. After determining that the style of captions was not domain dependent we concluded that the grammar we would develop would not be domain dependent also. Therefore, before selecting any of the captions we decided to focus on one particular domain. The reason for this was to keep our vocabulary to a manageable testing size.

We chose photographs from World War II as our domain. The domain was further constrained as follows: photographs had to be of action in the Pacific; the photographs had to be of ships; and the photographs had to be taken from the air. With this criteria we selected 13 captions from pictorial history books (Ref. 8-11) that met these conditions. Appendix A provides a full listing of the selected captions.

These caption consisted of a total of 30 sentences. Next we manually parsed each sentence, the results of which is in Appendix D, and treated each sentence as a caption. With this information we developed the grammar that is used in our parser.

### **3. Caption Modification**

After some initial analysis of the chosen 13 captions we noticed that there was a need to make some modifications in order to simplify the manual and automatic analysis. The first major modification was to treat each sentence as a separate caption. This gave a total of 30 different sentence to analyze.

The second modification was to the sentences. In an attempt to simplify the grammar rules and the parsing of the captions we modified some sentence punctuation and number representation. The type of punctuation modifications were the removal of quotation marks and the removal of periods in abbreviations, i.e. if the original caption had U.S. we changed it to US. The numerical modifications were to change any number over ten to Arabic numerals and to remove the comma for any number that was 1,000. Appendix B provides the modified captions and can be easily cross-referenced to Appendix A for a more detailed look at the modifications.

## **B. APPLICATION**

The main focus of this thesis was to determine the grammar to be used by the Captioned-Based Interface and to implement those rules in the parser. The primary objective of the parser is transforming the natural language description into a set of predicates and literals that logically represent the description, but at the same time provide semantic information to the multimedia database for its query. As a by-product of this thesis, the efficiency and the capability of the parser was tested. In fact, as a result of this work the parser has been rewritten. Further details are given in the next chapter.

## **IV. IMPLEMENTATION**

### **A. INTRODUCTION**

The Caption-Based Interface (CBI) is a multi-facet project with a number of components to it. This project has been developed in a team approach here at the Naval Postgraduate School. The team consists of Dr. Neil Rowe, Dr. Vincent Lum, Dr. Bernhard Holtkamp, Gene Guglielm, and myself. During the implementation numerous decisions were made as to the capabilities, components, and the structure of the CBI, some of which were discussed in the previous chapter. The implementation of the Prolog code was also a multi-effort task and as I discuss the various components I will try to give credit where it is due. For a more detailed look of the code refer to Appendix G which provides the source code for the CBI and also shows the credits for the various procedures.

### **B. THE CAPTION-BASED INTERFACE COMPONENTS**

The CBI is made up of seven main modules: the user interface module, the semantics module, the anaphoric module, the rules module, the parse module, the meanings module, and the dictionary (lexicon) module. The first three modules listed are not within the scope of this thesis and thus will only be briefly defined while the other four will be described in detail in the following sections.

The user interface module at the moment is in the form of a query. Once the user has activated the CBI, the system prompts the user for a partial caption and then the system will provide an interpretation. The semantics module analyzes predicates and

resolves ambiguities. The anaphoric module contains the strategies for handling anaphoric references.

### **1. The Parse Module**

The parser module is the top level of the parser and was developed by Dr. Rowe. It is designed to take two cached lists that are provided from the user interface module and output two lists. The first input list is a list of words to be parsed, i.e., the sentence that the user inputs. The second list is a list of possible parts of speech that each word in the sentence could have. The first output list contains the remaining list of words after the parse. The second output list contains the meaning list that is generated.

### **2. The Rules Module**

The rules module constituted the bulk of the research for this thesis. In order to investigate our premise and assumptions, section III.A.1, we manually parsed each caption into a binary tree structure. The result of this is located in Appendix D.

Once we had the parsed captions we converted each binary branch into a grammar rule, i.e., if the parent of a branch was a **snt** and its children were **np** and **vp** this was converted to **snt --> np, vp**. We originally had 150 of these rules. After some analysis of these 150 rules it was seen that this number could be reduced because some of the rules could be defined in a more senior rule i.e., a **ng** is a subset of a **np**. This reduced the total required rules to 103 rules which are located in **parse\_rule** procedure in Appendix F.

After some initial testing we found that the parser was extremely slow for a couple of reasons. The first was that the parser spent a lot of time going through rules that it did not need to go through because of their ordering in the code. The first fix was to order the rules in a top-down manner to prevent some of the backtracking. The first part of the ordering was to from a grammatical basis, i.e., a noun phrase

must come before a verb phrase. The second part of the ordering was to order the rules that were used most often first, i.e., rules for prepositional phrases were placed ahead of rules for appositives. This improved the system slightly and the parser was able to parse some small uncomplicated sentence structures.

The other reason for the slowness of the parser was that the rules contained both left and right recursion i.e., a **np** could be defined as **np --> np, prtp**. The first attempt at fixing this problem was to remove all occurrences of this type of structure by breaking down complex grammar rules such as a **np** into a **basic\_np**, **extended\_np**, and **complex\_np**. This approach ran into immediate problems because it increased the number of rules to almost 300, therefore this approach was abandoned.

In order to get increase the performance Dr. Rowe developed a look-ahead technique to be used in conjunction with the parse rules. The look-ahead code was applied in the parse module as described in section IV.B.1. Then by adding an additional list to the rules we turned the top-down parser into a mixed-mode parser, refer to section II.B.3. Figure 4 provides an example of this.

```
parse_rule(snt,[np, vp],  
          [[noun, propnoun, pronoun, geo, month],  
           [verb, tobe]]).
```

**Figure 4 -Mixed-Mode Parse Rules**

In the example in order for the **snt** rule to be evaluated, the word string that represents it must contain at least one of the following: a noun, a proper noun , a pronoun, a geographical location or a month. The cached word string must subsequently also contain either a verb or some form of the word "be".

Another performance enhancement developed by Dr. Rowe was a routine to cache previous parse successes and failures. The primary purpose of this was to avoid infinite loops.

The result of all of the modifications was that we ended up with the rules module being an augmented phrase structure grammar as described in section II.B.2 of this thesis.

### **3. The Dictionary Module**

The dictionary module is responsible for determining the root of a word in order to return syntactic information along with a meaning list. In order for the module to determine the root of the word it checks whether nouns are plural or possessive, checks for the canonical form of verbs, and determines the verb that corresponds to a participle. This portion of the module was written by Dr. Rowe and modified by myself and Dr. Holtkamp. The dictionary module contains the parts of speech and the meaning list for each tense of the words used.

The dictionary was made up from words contained in the captions of Appendix B. This module was developed and enhanced by myself and Dr. Holtkamp. The words were placed in syntactic categories, i.e., nouns, verbs, adjectives, etc. There is a separate dictionary entry for each tense of the word. For example the word **land** is listed as an noun for the sentence "The Marines fought on **land**." and as a verb for the sentence "The Marines **landed** on the beach." At the present time there is a total of 634 dictionary entries.

### **4. The Meanings Module**

The meanings module starts bridging the parser and the semantic interpreter of the CBI. This module was developed by Dr. Rowe and modified by Gene Guglielm and myself. The module combines the meaning lists of two parsed lists together to provide some semantic interpretation. This module sets up the relation that one part

of speech has with another. This is done by manipulating the variables that have been assigned in the dictionary module. Figure 2 provides an example.

**Input:**  
The Marines fought the enemy.

**Rules used:**

```
snt --> snt, period [.]  
snt --> np, vp  
np --> determiner [The], ng  
ng --> propn noun [Marines]  
vp --> vg, np  
vg --> verb [fought]  
np --> determiner [the], ng  
ng --> noun [enemy]
```

**Output:**  
My interpretation is:  
definite(c2)  
name(c2,Marines)  
military(c2)  
fight(c2,f2)  
subject(fight,c2)  
action(fight,d2)  
tense(d2,past)  
definite(f2)  
enemy(f2)

**Figure 5 -Example Of Meaning List Variables**

Using the example above we can see the relationship between the different variables. To illustrate how the combination takes place look at the section of output that starts with the word **fight**. "Fight" has two variables associated with it: **c2** and **f2**. The variable **c2** ties the verb phrase to the noun phase above while the **f2** ties the noun phase "the enemy" to the verb "fight" to form the verb phrase. The combining of variables must occur for every syntactic rule that is formed from two constituents.

## **C. SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

The CBI was originally running on a VAX 11/785. But as the system grew it was temporarily moved to an ISI work station and then finally to a Sun Sparc work station. This final move provided much improved speed in parsing. The Sparc work stations in the Artificial Intelligence Lab at NPS have 6 megabytes of real memory and 7 megabytes of virtual memory and they run at 10 MIPS.

At the present time the CBI is implemented using the Prolog programming language. Prolog was chosen for its extremely powerful backtracking ability. The Interface will run on two different versions of Prolog: C-Prolog and Quintus Prolog. C-Prolog is an interpretive version of Prolog while Quintus is a compiled version. A comparison of the results between these two are described in Chapter V of this thesis.

## **D. PROGRAM INPUT REQUIREMENTS**

The CBI was designed to handle captions that are typed in by the user of the system. At the present time captions can only be single noun phrases or single complete sentences, i.e., if a caption contains multiple sentences the user can only give the system one sentence at a time.

In order for the noun phrase to be recognized it must not end with a period. A sentence could be of varying degrees of complexity but must consist of at least a noun, then a verb and finally end with a period. Figure 3 illustrates some examples of valid inputs.

## **E. PROGRAM OUTPUT**

The parser provides a grammatical interpretation for the sentence or noun phrase as output. Figure 4 shows a valid input and the system output.

**NOUN PHRASES**

An American war ship  
A company of Marines on the ship  
A Japanese ship under attack on January 15, 1943

**SENTENCES**

Marines fight.  
The Marines landed on the beach.  
The Marines wading ashore fought the Japanese.

**Figure 6 -Examples of Valid Input**

**Input**

The Morotai invaders met no resistance.

**Output:**

My interpretation is:  
definite(i2)  
name(i2,Morotai)  
place(i2)  
plural(i2)  
invader(i2)  
meet(i2,i2)  
subject(meet,i2)  
action(meet,j2)  
tense(j2,past)  
cardinality(i2,0)  
resistance(i2)

**Figure 7 -Example of Output**

## **V. TEST RESULTS**

### **A. INTRODUCTION**

During the course of developing the CBI numerous test were performed to monitor execution speed, memory utilization, and the accuracy of the CBI's interpretation of each of the automatically parsed captions that are located in Appendix E. Table 1 provides a qualitative summary of the test results. The table has seven columns: the first three contain information provided in Appendix D. The remaining four contain information taken from the built-in statistics functions in C-Prolog and Quintus Prolog.

In order to make some comparison between the captions we have added the word count column and the depth of the parse tree column. The word count column refers to how many words were in the caption to include punctuation marks, i.e., commas and periods. The depth of the parse tree column was provided to show the complexity of the caption. The remaining columns will be discussed below.

### **B. EXECUTION SPEED**

The focus of this thesis was not the speed or efficiency of the parser except as a measure to compare the implemented grammar rules. The times provide a useful tools in which to compare the grammar structure of the various captions. The execution time for the two versions of Prolog taken from each version's statistical functions are provided in seconds of wall clock time. It should be noted that the compiled versions of Prolog outperformed the interpretive Prolog except for a few instances which are discussed in the next section. We did have five captions for

which we did not get any results and are annotated in Table 1 with "----" in the time columns. This was due to running out of heap stack space and will be discussed in the next section.

### C. MEMORY REQUIREMENTS

The C-Prolog and Quintus Prolog are significantly different in the way that they allocate memory. This is important to this thesis because a major concern and problem area for us, while working with C-Prolog, was that we would run out of heap stack space. C-Prolog uses a static memory allocation scheme to provide memory to its various stacks [Ref. 12:p. 33]. The problem with this is that if a stack runs out of memory space, the program terminates prematurely. After extensive testing we found that the heap stack had to be increased to as much as 3500 kilobytes in order to parse 25 out of the 30 captions. The other five sentences failed to run to completion because the heap stack reached its limit first. Table 1 provides the memory that was required for each caption in the C-Prolog memory column.

Quintus Prolog provides memory allocation dynamically [Ref. 13:p. 121]. Table 1 give the total memory (in kilobytes) that was required for each caption.

We sought to resolve the problem of running out of heap space by using Quintus Prolog to compile our code. While Quintus Prolog gave us some increased performance in time for most captions as noted in the previous section, we were surprised to find that we received some results that were worse than those for C-Prolog. We believe that because Quintus dynamically allocates memory to its global stack (which contains the heap stack and the trail stack) there are a lot of calls to the operating system to request more memory space once the program has increased to a significant size.

#### **D. OUTPUT ACCURACY**

The accuracy of the meaning-list output for the captions is dependent on all of the different components of the system as defined in the previous chapter. The accuracy for the system divided between syntactic accuracy and semantic accuracy. Syntactically the system is completely accurate. Each of the grammar rules were tested individually and with their parent rule if they had one. As far as the semantic accuracy is concerned, only about a few of the captions are completely correct. The semantic interpretation work is beyond the scope of this thesis.

**TABLE 1 - SUMMARY OF TESTING RESULTS**

<b>sent#</b>	<b>word count</b>	<b>Depth of parse tree</b>	<b>C-Prolog exec time</b>	<b>Quintus exec time</b>	<b>C-Prolog memory</b>	<b>Quintus memory</b>
1	7	5	2.13	0.77	217	398
2	7	4	3.08	1.14	229	398
3	9	7	3.45	1.15	244	398
4	9	5	3.52	1.28	254	398
5	10	7	4.00	1.33	259	398
6	15	8	9.57	4.35	309	422
7	12	6	8.08	2.62	282	398
8	15	8	21.08	11.93	340	398
9	18	8	116.18	203.60	880	722
10	15	8	499.02	1080.30	1297	1022
11	16	8	9.80	5.02	342	422
12	17	10	12.97	4.30	330	398
13	18	8	11.17	4.50	340	398
14	16	9	16.17	8.40	397	398
15	22	11	106.80	161.88	810	646
16	23	12	20.78	13.57	461	398
17	26	9	67.77	55.42	590	458
18	23	8	----	13053.50	----	4202
19	19	9	2569.68	8958.00	2771	1990
20	21	11	1021.05	2475.38	1833	1362
21	19	7	65.33	60.20	613	506
22	29	11	574.07	1486.97	1873	1306
23	20	8	47.47	32.18	454	426
24	30	10	----	----	----	----
25	26	11	2446.40	6301.17	3590	2474
26	31	11	----	----	----	----
27	28	13	163.78	174.57	988	418
28	36	11	1148.32	3099.13	2763	1842
29	32	12	----	----	----	----
30	24	8	----	----	----	----

## **VI. CONCLUSIONS**

### **A. ACHIEVEMENTS**

The major goal of this thesis was to test the premise that captions are a subset of the English language and therefore they should have a relatively simple set of grammar rules. Our research found that captions were indeed a subset of the English language but that subset was still fairly large. After thoroughly analyzing each of the captions we found that they varied more than we had anticipated in style and sentence construction.

Even though our premise was overstated we were still able to develop a natural language interface that could handle correctly a large number of the sentences as seen in Chapter V. We were able to prove that the grammar rules that were developed could recognize their intended structures. We were also able to develop the interface far enough in order to be able to continue with the integration of it to the Multimedia Database System.

### **B. AREAS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH**

The test results in the previous chapter revealed that there were some captions that could not be parsed. I believe there are a number of improvements that could be made. The first is that the code that combines the meanings of two parse rules needs to be enhanced in capability. There need to be fewer cases in the default rule. This would help to get a better interpretation of the captions.

The second area for improvement is in the code that checks the semantics of a meaning. At the present time the code only checks the semantics of prepositional

phrases. This improvement would also give a better interpretation for the captions and it would possibly improve the parsing speed because it would not allow for constructs that would not be valid.

A major area for further research should be with the dictionary portion of the CBI. At the present time the dictionary is searched sequentially and the first occurrence of the word is returned to be tested for possible acceptance. If a structure later fails another sequential search must be accomplished. This is a very costly procedure in time. Research into changing the dictionary's structure and increasing the information contained could greatly enhance the CBI.

Another major area for research is with the implementation of the code itself. As seen in Chapter V using a compiled version of Prolog significantly improved performance times. I believe that some rewriting of the code to take advantage of a compiled version of Prolog's built-in functions would also improve performance.

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## APPENDIX A

### THE ORIGINAL CAPTIONS

This appendix contains the original captions that were acquired for the basis for this thesis. All of the captions were taken directly from their particular reference. The superscript numbers were added the head of each sentence in order to cross reference them with Appendix B.

- A. <sup>16</sup>U.S. soldiers wading ashore in columns churn up the waters off Morotai Island, midway between western New Guinea and the Philippines. <sup>14</sup>MacArthur wanted Morotai so Allied aircraft could operate from there and protect his Philippine landings. <sup>2</sup>The Morotai invaders met no resistance. [Ref. 8:p. 150]
- B. <sup>26</sup>About to come under attack by planes of the U.S. Navy in November of 1943, Japanese warships maneuver frantically out of the harbor at Rabaul to head for open seas. [Ref. 8:p. 163]
- C. <sup>25</sup>Surrounded by bursting bombs, a "Shokaku" class fleet carrier turns sharply in an effort to evade the attentions of U.S. carrier-based strike aircraft. <sup>4</sup>In the foreground destroyers take similar evasive action. [Ref. 9:p. 2587]
- D. <sup>13</sup>A "Kongo" class battleship in trouble after being hit by bombs and a fleet carrier turning away. [Ref. 9:p. 2587]
- E. <sup>8</sup>An American cruiser, led by a destroyer, maneuvers to avoid Japanese attacks. [Ref. 9:p. 2589]
- F. <sup>11</sup>The Japanese heavy cruiser Nachi under air attack in Manila Bay on November 5, 1944. <sup>1</sup>She was sunk in the attack. [Ref. 9:p. 2654]
- G. <sup>15</sup>Rabaul Harbor presented this sight after the attack by Allied planes, Nov. 5, 1943, on the Japanese stronghold. <sup>27</sup>Ships burning and sinking litter the harbor, while smoke and flames rise from battered shore installations and warehouses which were bombed during the seventy-

five minute engagement. <sup>17</sup>Three enemy destroyers, eight merchant ships, and four coastal vessels were sunk, and sixty-seven Japanese planes shot down in this Allied blow. [Ref. 10:p. 188]

H. <sup>18</sup>Japanese ships scurry to get out of land-locked Rabaul Harbor during the attacks by American bombers on Nov. 5, 1943. <sup>28</sup>Planes from the aircraft carrier Saratoga raided the enemy naval base on New Britain Island and several of the Twenty-five ships there were hit and set afire as they tried to reach the open sea. <sup>19</sup>Rabaul was under constant bombardment by our planes in order to neutralize or destroy that strong Japanese base. [Ref. 10:p. 189]

I. <sup>20</sup>Japanese freighter, smashed by Allied bombers during raid on Rabaul, New Britain, settles fast at the stern. <sup>3</sup>Rabaul was the main Japanese base in the area. <sup>29</sup>From October through December, 1943, Allied air forces inflicted such destruction at Rabaul on ships, planes, and installations that the Japanese abandoned it as a major base. [Ref. 10:p. 189]

J. <sup>9</sup>Japanese carrier makes a frantic fight for life in the Philippine Sea on June 19, 1944. <sup>6</sup>One bomb has just landed near the ship's bow and another at her stern. <sup>7</sup>In the foreground an enemy destroyer gyrates crazily to escape bombs. <sup>5</sup>American planes scored a decisive victory over enemy forces. [Ref. 10:p. 231]

K. <sup>10</sup>Navy Task Force ships land Marines of the Fifth Amphibious Corps on Iwo Jima, Feb. 19, 1945. <sup>21</sup>Bombs and shells from heavy pre-invasion bombardment were still bursting ashore as landing craft hit the beach. <sup>22</sup>LCI(G)'s (Landing Craft Infantry Gunboats) had a cleared way for the Marines by moving into the beaches and firing into shore positions with small caliber guns. <sup>12</sup>But the enemy's big guns, well camouflaged in reinforced caves, were not knocked out. <sup>23</sup>As the Marines stormed ashore, the Japanese opened up, pouring shells from high ground onto our forces. [Ref. 10:p. 262]

L. <sup>24</sup>55,000-ton Missouri, flanked by destroyer, steams into Tokyo Bay, August 28, after waiting two days in Sagami Bay for demining of the upper waters. [Ref. 10:p. 271]

M. <sup>30</sup>Circling wildly, the carrier Soryu is attacked by American dive bombers from Midway as her Zeros try in vain to defend her. [Ref. 11:p. 94]

## APPENDIX B

### MODIFIED CAPTIONS

This appendix provides a list of the captions in the order in which they were tested. The superscript letter at the head of each sentence is used for cross referencing to the original caption in Appendix A.

1. <sup>F</sup>She was sunk in the attack.
2. <sup>A</sup>The Morotai invaders met no resistance.
3. <sup>I</sup>Rabaul was the main Japanese base in the area.
4. <sup>C</sup>In the foreground destroyers take similar evasive action.
5. <sup>J</sup>American planes scored a decisive victory over enemy forces.
6. <sup>J</sup>One bomb has just landed near the ship's bow and another at her stern.
7. <sup>J</sup>In the foreground an enemy destroyer gyrates crazily to escape bombs.
8. <sup>E</sup>An American cruiser, led by a destroyer, maneuvers to avoid Japanese attacks.
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15. <sup>G</sup>Rabaul Harbor presented this sight after the attack by Allied planes, Nov 5, 1943, on the Japanese stronghold.
16. <sup>A</sup>US soldiers wading ashore in columns churn up the waters off Morotai Island, midway between western New Guinea and the Philippines.
17. <sup>G</sup>Three enemy destroyers, eight merchant ships, and four coastal vessels were sunk, and 67 Japanese planes shot down in this Allied blow.
18. <sup>H</sup>Japanese ships scurry to get out of land-locked Rabaul Harbor during the attacks by American bombers on Nov 5, 1943.
19. <sup>H</sup>Rabaul was under constant bombardment by our planes in order to neutralize or destroy that strong Japanese base.
20. <sup>I</sup>Japanese freighter, smashed by Allied bombers during raid on Rabaul, New Britain, settles fast at the stern.
21. <sup>K</sup>Bombs and shells from heavy pre-invasion bombardment were still bursting ashore as landing craft hit the beach.
22. <sup>K</sup>LCI (Landing Craft Infantry Gunboats) had cleared the way for the Marines by moving into the beaches and firing into shore positions with small caliber guns.
23. <sup>K</sup>As the Marines stormed ashore, the Japanese opened up, pouring shells from high ground onto our forces.
24. <sup>L</sup>55000 ton Missouri, flanked by destroyer, steams into Tokyo Bay, August 28, after waiting two days in Sagami Bay for demining of the upper waters.
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26. <sup>B</sup>About to come under attack by planes of the US Navy in November 1943, Japanese warships maneuver frantically out of the harbor at Rabaul to head for open seas.
27. <sup>G</sup>Ships burning and sinking litter the harbor, while smoke and flames rise from battered shore installations and warehouses which were bombed during the 75 minute engagement.
28. <sup>H</sup>Planes from the aircraft carrier Saratoga raided the enemy naval base on New Britain Island and several of the 25 ships there were hit and set afire as they tried to reach the open sea.
29. <sup>I</sup>From October through December, 1943, Allied air forces inflicted such destruction at Rabaul on ships, planes, and installations that the Japanese abandoned it as a major base.
30. <sup>M</sup>Circling wildly, the carrier Soryu is attacked by American dive bombers from Midway as her Zeros try in vain to defend her.

## APPENDIX C

### ABBREVIATION LIST

This appendix lists all of the abbreviations that are used throughout this thesis.

adj ----- adjective  
adjl ----- adjective list  
adv ----- adverb  
apb----- apositive begining  
aps ----- apostrophe  
aux ----- auxiliary  
c\_dt\_c ----- comma with date with comma  
c\_geo----- comma with geographical location  
c\_np ----- comma with noun phrase  
c\_pps\_c ----- comma with multiple prepositional phrases with comma  
c\_prtp ----- comma with participle phrase  
c\_prtp\_c ----- comma with participle phrase with comma  
c\_yr----- comma with year  
cj----- common conjunction  
cj\_mo ----- conjunction with month  
cj\_np ----- conjunction with noun phrase  
cj\_prt----- conjunction with participle  
cj\_snt----- conjunction with sentence  
cj\_vp ----- conjunction with verb phrase  
cls ----- clause  
cls\_c ----- clause with comma  
clscj ----- clause conjunction  
com ----- comma  
cp ----- close parenthesis  
cp\_np----- complex noun phrase  
cp\_prt ----- complex participle  
cp\_snt----- complex sentence  
cp\_vp----- complex verb phrase  
d ----- determiner

day ----- day  
dblcj ----- double conjunction  
dt ----- date  
dt\_c ----- date with comma  
g ----- gerand  
geo ----- geographic location  
i ----- infinitive  
im ----- infinitive marker  
ip ----- infinitive phrase  
ip\_c ----- infinitive pharse with comma  
lv ----- linking verb  
mo ----- month  
n ----- noun  
ng ----- noun group  
np ----- noun phrase  
num ----- number  
op ----- open parenthesis  
op\_np ----- open parenthesis with noun phrase  
p ----- preposition  
perprn ----- personal pronoun  
posprn ----- possive pronoun  
pn ----- proper noun  
pp ----- preposition phrase  
pps ----- multiple prepositional phrases  
pps\_c ----- multiple prepositional phrases with comma  
prn ----- pronoun  
prt ----- participle  
prtp ----- participle phrase  
prtp\_c ----- participle phrase with comma  
se ----- sentence end  
snt ----- sentence  
v ----- verb  
vg ----- verb group  
vp ----- verb phrase  
yr ----- year

## APPENDIX D

### MANUALLY PARSED CAPTIONS

This appendix provides the manually parsed sentence. The captions are represented in a binary parse tree.

1. **F**She was sunk in the attack.

```
snt --> snt, se
  snt --> np, vp
    np --> ng
      ng --> prn
        prn --> She
    vp --> vg, pp
      vg --> lv, v
        lv --> was
        v --> sunk
    pp --> p, np
      p --> in
      np --> d , n
        d --> the
        n --> attack
  se --> .
```

2. **A**The Morotai invaders met no resistance.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> np, vp

np --> d , ng

d --> **The**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **Morotai**

n --> **invaders**

vp --> v, ng

v --> **met**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **no**

n --> **resistance**

se --> .

3. **'Rabaul was the main Japanese base in the area.**

snt --> snt, se

snt --> geo, vp

geo --> **Rabaul**

vp --> v, np

v --> **was**

np --> np, pp

np --> d, ng

d --> **the**

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> **main**

adj --> **Japanese**

n --> **base**

pp --> p, np

p --> **in**

np --> d, n

d --> **the**

n --> **area**

se --> .

4. **C**In the foreground destroyers take similar evasive action.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> np, vp

np --> pp, n

pp --> p, np

p --> In

np --> d, n

d --> the

n --> foreground

n --> destroyers

vp --> v, ng

v --> take

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> similar

adj --> evasive

n --> action

se --> .

5. **J**American planes scored a decisive victory over enemy forces.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> ng, vp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **American**

n --> **planes**

vp --> v, np

v --> **scored**

np --> np, pp

np --> d, ng

d --> a

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **decisive**

n --> **victory**

pp --> p, ng

p --> **over**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> n

n --> **enemy**

n --> **forces**

se --> .

6.     ~~J~~One bomb has just landed near the ships bow and another at her stern.

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> ng, vp  
    ng --> adj, n  
        adj --> One  
        n --> bomb  
    vp --> vg, np  
        vg --> aux, vg  
            aux --> has  
        vg --> adv, v  
            adv --> just  
            v --> landed  
    np --> np, cj\_np  
        np --> adj, np  
            adj --> near  
        np --> d, ng  
            d --> the  
        ng --> adj, n  
            adj --> ship's  
            n --> bow  
    cj\_np --> cj, np  
        cj --> and  
        np --> prn, pp  
            prn --> another  
            pp --> p, ng  
                p --> at  
                ng --> prn, n  
                    prn --> her  
                n --> stern

se --> .

7. **J**In the foreground an enemy destroyer gyrates crazily to escape bombs.

snt --> snt, se

    snt --> pp, snt

        pp --> p, np

            p --> In

            np --> d, n

                d --> the

                n --> foreground

    snt --> np, vp

        np --> d, ng

            d --> an

            ng --> adj, n

                adj --> n

                    n --> enemy

                    n --> destroyer

    vp --> vg, ip

        vg --> v, adv

            v --> gyrates

            adv --> crazily

    ip --> i, n

        i --> im, v

            im --> to

            v --> escape

        n --> bombs

se --> .

8. **E**An American cruiser, led by a destroyer, maneuvers to avoid Japanese attacks.

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> np, vp  
np --> np, c\_prtc\_c  
np --> d, ng  
d --> An  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> American  
n --> cruiser  
c\_prtc\_c --> com, prtc\_c  
com --> ,  
ptpc\_c --> prtp, com  
ptpc --> prt, pp  
prt --> led  
pp --> p, np  
p --> by  
np --> d, n  
d --> a  
n --> destroyer  
com --> ,  
vp --> v, ip  
v --> maneuvers  
ip --> i, ng  
i --> im, v  
im --> to  
v --> avoid  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> Japanese  
n --> attacks  
se --> .

9. **J**Japanese carrier makes a frantic fight for life in the Philippine Sea on June 19, 1944.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> ng, vp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> Japanese

n --> carrier

vp --> vp, pp

vp --> v, np

v --> makes

np --> np, pp

np --> np, pp

np --> d, ng

d --> a

ng --> adj, n

adj --> frantic

n --> fight

pp --> p, n

p --> for

n --> life

pp --> p, np

p --> in

np --> d, geo

d --> the

geo --> Philippine Sea

pp --> p, dt

p --> on

dt --> dt, c\_yr

dt --> mo, num

mo --> June

num --> 19

c\_yr --> com, num

com -->,

num --> 1944

se --> .

10. **K**Navy Task Force ships land Marines of the Fifth Amphibious Corps on Iwo Jima, Feb 19, 1945.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> snt, c\_dt

snt --> ng, vp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> pn

pn --> **Navy Task Force**

n --> **ships**

vp --> vp, pp

vp --> v, np

v --> **land**

np --> pn, pp

pn --> **Marines**

pp --> p, np

p --> of

np --> d, pn

d --> the

pn --> **Fifth Amphibious Corps**

pp --> p, geo

p --> on

geo --> **Iwo Jima**

c\_dt --> com, dt

com -->,

dt --> dt, c\_yr

dt --> mo, num

mo --> **Feb**

num --> **19**

c\_yr --> com, num

com -->,

num --> **1945**

se --> .

11. **F**The Japanese heavy cruiser Nachi under air attack in Manila Bay on November 5, 1944

npc --> np, se  
np --> np, pp  
np --> np, pps  
np --> d, ng  
d --> **The**  
ng --> adjl, pn  
adjl --> adj, adjl  
adj --> **Japanese**  
adjl --> adj, adj  
adj --> **heavy**  
adj --> n  
n --> **cruiser**  
pn --> **Nachi**  
pps --> pp, pp  
pp --> p, ng  
p --> **under**  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> n  
n --> **air**  
n --> **attack**  
pp --> p, geo  
p --> **in**  
geo --> **Manila Bay**  
pp --> p, dt  
p --> **on**  
dt --> dt, c\_yr  
dt --> mo, num  
mo --> **November**  
num --> **5**  
c\_yr --> com, num  
com --> ,  
num --> **1944**  
se --> .

12. **"But the enemy's big guns, well camouflaged in reinforced caves, were not knocked out.**

snt --> snt, se

snt --> cj\_snt

cj\_snt --> cj, snt

cj --> **But**

snt --> np, vg

np --> np, c\_prtip\_c

np --> d, ng

d --> the

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> **enemy's**

adj --> **big**

n --> **guns**

c\_prtip\_c --> com, prtip\_c

com -->,

prtip\_c --> prtip, com

prtip --> prtip, pp

prtip --> adv, prt

adv --> **well**

prt --> **camouflaged**

pp --> p, ng

p --> in

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **reinforced**

n --> **caves**

com -->,

vg --> lv, vg

lv --> **were**

vg --> adv, vg

adv --> **not**

vg --> v, adv

v --> **knocked**

adv --> out

se --> .

13. **D**A Kongo class battleship in trouble after being hit by bombs and a fleet carrier turning away.

npc --> np, se  
np --> np, cj\_np  
np --> np, pp  
np --> np, pp  
np --> d, ng  
d --> A  
ng --> adjl, n  
adjl --> adj, adj  
adj --> pn  
pn --> **Kongo**  
adj --> n  
n --> class  
n --> **battleship**  
pp --> p, n  
p --> in  
n --> trouble  
pp --> p, np  
p --> after  
np --> n, pp  
n --> g  
g --> vg  
vg --> aux, v  
aux --> being  
v --> hit  
pp --> p, n  
p --> by  
n --> bombs  
cj\_np --> cj, np  
cj --> and  
np --> np, prtp  
np --> d, ng  
d --> a  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> n  
n --> fleet  
n --> carrier  
prtp --> prt, n  
prt --> turning  
n --> away  
se --> .

14. **A**MacArthur wanted Morotai so Allied aircraft could operate from there and protect his Philippine landings.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> snt, cj\_snt

snt --> pn, vp

pn --> MacArthur

vp --> v, geo

v --> wanted

geo --> Morotai

cj\_snt --> cj, snt

cj --> so

snt --> ng, vp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> Allied

n --> aircraft

vp --> vp, cj\_vp

vp --> vg, pp

vg --> aux, v

aux --> could

v --> operate

pp --> p, pn

p --> from

pn --> there

cj\_vp --> cj, vp

cj --> and

vp --> v, np

v --> protect

np --> prn, ng

prn --> his

ng --> adj, n

adj --> Philippine

n --> landings

se --> .

15. **G**Rabaul Harbor presented this sight after the attack by Allied planes, Nov 5, 1943, on the Japanese stronghold.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> geo, vp

geo --> **Rabaul Harbor**

vp --> vp, pp

vp --> v, ng

v --> **presented**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **this**

n --> **sight**

pp --> p, np

p --> **after**

np --> np, pps

np --> d, n

d --> **the**

n --> **attack**

pps --> pp, pp

pp --> pp, c\_dt\_c

pp --> p, ng

p --> **by**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **Allied**

n --> **planes**

c\_dt\_c --> c\_dt, com

c\_dt --> com, dt

com -->,

dt --> dt, c\_yr

dt --> mo, num

mo --> **Nov**

num --> **5**

c\_yr --> com, num

com -->,

num --> **1943**

pp --> p, np

p --> **on**

np --> d, ng

d --> **the**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **Japanese**

n --> **stronghold**

se --> .

16. **A**US soldiers wading ashore in columns churn up the waters off Morotai Island, midway between western New Guinea and the Philippines.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> np, vp

np --> ng, prtp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> US

n --> soldiers

prtp --> prtp, pp

prtp --> prt, adv

prt --> wading

adv --> ashore

pp --> p, n

p --> in

n --> columns

vp --> vg, np

vg --> v, adv

v --> churn

adv --> up

np --> np, pp

np --> d, n

d --> the

n --> waters

pp --> p, np

p --> off

np --> geo, pp

geo --> Mortotai Island

c\_pp --> com, pp

com -->,

pp --> adv, pp

adv --> midway

pp --> p, np

p --> between

np --> ng, cj\_np

ng --> adj, geo

adj --> western

geo --> New Guinea

cj\_np --> cj, np

cj --> and

np --> d, geo  
d --> the  
geo --> **Philippines**

se --> .

17. **G**Three enemy destroyers, eight merchant ships, and four coastal vessels were sunk, and 67 Japanese planes shot down in this Allied blow.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> snt, pp

snt --> snt, cj\_snt

snt --> ng, vg

ng --> ng, cj\_ng

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> Three

adj --> n

n --> enemy

n --> destroyers

cj\_ng --> cj, ng

cj --> com

com -->,

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> eight

adj --> n

n --> merchant

n --> ships

cj\_ng --> cj, ng

cj --> com, cj

com -->,

cj --> and

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> four

adj --> coastal

n --> vessels

cj\_snt --> cj, snt

cj --> com, cj

com -->,

cj --> and

snt --> ng, vg

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> num

num --> 67

adj --> Japanese

n --> planes

**vg** --> **v, adv**  
**v** --> **shot**  
**adv** --> **down**

**pp** --> **p, ng**  
**p** --> **in**  
**ng** --> **adjl, n**  
    **adjl** --> **adj, adj**  
        **adj** --> **this**  
        **adj** --> **Allied**  
**n** --> **blow**

**se** --> .

18. <sup>H</sup>Japanese ships scurry to get out of land-locked Rabaul Harbor during the attacks by American bombers on Nov 5, 1943.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> ng, vp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> Japanese

n --> ships

vp --> vp, pp

vp --> v, ip

v --> scurry

ip --> i, pp

i --> im, vg

im --> to

vg --> v, adv

v --> get

adv --> out

pp --> p, ng

p --> of

ng --> adj, geo

adj --> land-locked

geo --> Rabaul Harbor

pp --> pp, pp

pp --> p, np

p --> during

np --> np, pp

np --> d, n

d --> the

n --> attacks

pp --> p, ng

p --> by

ng --> adj, n

adj --> American

n --> bombers

pp --> p, dt

p --> on

dt --> dt, c\_yr

dt --> mo, num

mo --> Nov

num --> 5

c\_yr --> com, num  
com -->,  
num --> **1943**

se --> .

19. **Rabaul** was under constant bombardment by our planes in order to neutralize or destroy that strong Japanese base.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> geo, vp

geo --> **Rabaul**

vp --> vp, ip

vp --> v, pp

v --> **was**

pp --> p, np

p --> **under**

np --> adj, np

adj --> **constant**

np --> n, pp

n --> **bombardment**

pp --> p, ng

p --> **by**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **our**

n --> **planes**

ip --> ip, ng

ip --> pp, i

pp --> p, n

p --> **in**

n --> **order**

i --> im, v

im --> to

v --> v, cj\_v

v --> **neutralize**

cj\_v --> cj, v

cj --> or

v --> **destroy**

ng --> adj, ng

adj --> prn

prn --> **that**

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> **strong**

adj --> **Japanese**

n --> **base**

se --> .

20. **'Japanese freighter, smashed by Allied bombers during raid on Rabaul, New Britain, settles fast at the stern.**

snt --> snt, se

snt --> np, vp

np --> ng, c\_prtp\_c

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **Japanese**

n --> **freighter**

c\_prtp\_c --> com, prtp\_c

com -->,

prtp\_c --> prtp, com

prtp --> prtp, pp

prtp --> prt, pp

prt --> **smashed**

pp --> p, ng

p --> **by**

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **Allied**

n --> **bombers**

pp --> p, np

p --> **during**

np --> n, pp

n --> **raid**

pp --> p, geo

p --> **on**

geo --> geo, c\_geo

geo --> **Rabaul**

c\_geo --> com, geo

com -->,

geo --> **New Britain**

com -->,

vp --> vg, pp

vg --> v, adv

v --> **settles**

adv --> **fast**

pp --> p, np

p --> **at**

np --> d, n

d --> **the**

n --> **stern**

se --> .

21. **K**Bombs and shells from heavy pre-invasion bombardment were still bursting ashore as landing craft hit the beach.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> snt, cls

snt --> np, vg

np --> n, pp

n --> n, cj\_n

n --> **Bombs**

cj\_n --> cj, n

cj --> and

n --> shells

pp --> p, ng

p --> **from**

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> **heavy**

adj --> **pre-invasion**

n --> **bombardment**

vg --> vg, adv

vg --> aux, vg

aux --> **were**

vg --> adv, v

adv --> **still**

v --> **bursting**

adv --> **ashore**

cls --> cj, snt

cj --> as

snt --> ng, vp

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **landing**

n --> **craft**

vp --> v, np

v --> **hit**

np --> d, n

d --> the

n --> **beach**

se --> .

22. **KLCI** (Landing Craft Infantry Gunboats) had cleared the way for the Marines by moving into the beaches and firing into shore positions with small caliber guns.

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> pn, vp  
pn --> pn, ape  
pn --> **LCI**  
ape --> apb, cp  
apb --> op, pn  
op --> (  
pn --> **Landing Craft Infantry Gunboats**  
cp --> )  
vp --> vp, pp  
vp --> vg, np  
vg --> aux, v  
aux --> **had**  
v --> **cleared**  
np --> np, pp  
np --> d, n  
d --> **the**  
n --> **way**  
pp --> p, np  
p --> **for**  
np --> d, pn  
d --> **the**  
pn --> **Marines**  
pp --> p, np  
p --> **by**  
np --> np, cj\_np  
np --> n, pp  
n --> g  
g --> **moving**  
pp --> p, np  
p --> **into**  
np --> d, n  
d --> **the**  
n --> **beaches**  
cj\_np --> cj, np  
cj --> **and**  
np --> np, pp  
np --> n, pp  
n --> g

g --> **firing**  
pp --> p, ng  
p --> **into**  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> n  
n --> **shore**  
n --> **positions**

pp --> p, ng  
p --> **with**  
ng --> adjl, n  
adjl --> adj, adj  
adj --> **small**  
adj --> **caliber**  
n --> **guns**

se --> .

23. **K**As the Marines stormed ashore, the Japanese opened up, pouring shells from high ground onto our forces.

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> cls\_c, snt  
cls\_c --> cls, com  
cls --> cj, snt  
cj --> As  
snt --> np, vg  
np --> d, pn  
d --> the  
pn --> **Marines**  
vg --> v, adv  
v --> **stormed**  
adv --> **ashore**  
com -->,  
snt --> snt, c\_prtc\_c  
snt --> np, vp  
np --> d, pn  
d --> the  
pn --> **Japanese**  
vp --> v, adv  
v --> **opened**  
adv --> up  
c\_prtc\_c --> com, prtp  
com -->,  
prtp --> prtp, pp  
prtp --> prtp, pp  
prtp --> prt, n  
prt --> **pouring**  
n --> **shells**  
pp --> p, ng  
p --> **from**  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> **high**  
n --> **ground**  
pp --> p, ng  
p --> **onto**  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> **our**  
n --> **forces**  
se --> .

24. **L**55000 ton Missouri, flanked by destroyer, steams into Tokyo Bay, August 28, after waiting two days in Sagami Bay for demining of the upper waters.

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> np, vp  
np --> ng, c\_prtc\_c  
ng --> adjl, pn  
adjl --> adj, adj  
adj --> num  
num --> **55000**  
adj --> n  
n --> **ton**  
pn --> **Missouri**  
c\_prtc\_c --> com, prtc\_c  
com --> ,  
prtc\_c --> prtp, com  
prtp --> prt, pp  
prt --> **flanked**  
pp --> p, n  
p --> **by**  
n --> **destroyer**  
com --> ,  
vp --> vp, pp  
vp --> vp, c\_dt\_c  
vp --> v, pp  
v --> **steams**  
pp --> p, geo  
p --> **into**  
geo --> **Tokyo Bay**  
c\_dt\_c --> c\_dt, com  
c\_dt --> com, dt  
com --> ,  
dt --> mo, num  
mo --> **August**  
num --> **28**  
com --> ,  
pp --> p, np  
p --> **after**  
np --> np, pp  
np --> ng, pp  
ng --> n, ng  
n --> g  
g --> **waiting**

ng --> adj, n  
adj --> **two**  
n --> **days**

pp --> p, geo  
p --> **in**  
geo --> **Sagami Bay**

pp --> p, np  
p --> **for**  
np --> n, pp  
n --> g  
g --> **demining**

pp --> p, np  
p --> of  
np --> d, ng  
d --> **the**  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> **upper**  
n --> **waters**

se --> .

25. **c**Surrounded by bursting bombs, a Shokaku class fleet carrier turns sharply in an effort to evade the attentions of US carrier-based strike aircraft.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> np, vp

np --> prtp\_c, np

prtp\_c --> prtp, com

prtp --> prt, pp

prt --> **Surrounded**

pp --> p, ng

p --> by

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **bursting**

n --> **bombs**

com -->,

np --> d, ng

d --> a

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adjl, adj

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> pn

pn --> **Shokaku**

adj --> class

adj --> fleet

n --> **carrier**

vp --> vg, pp

vg --> v, adv

v --> turns

adj --> sharply

pp --> p, np

p --> in

np --> np, ip

np --> d, n

d --> an

n --> effort

ip --> i, np

i --> im, v

im --> to

v --> evade

np --> np, pp

np --> d, n

d --> the

n --> attentions

pp --> p, ng  
p --> of  
ng --> adjl, n  
      adjl --> adjl, adj  
      adjl --> adj, adj  
      adj --> US  
      adj --> carrier-based  
      adj --> strike  
n --> aircraft

se --> .

26. **B** About to come under attack by planes of the US Navy in November 1943, Japanese warships maneuver frantically out of the harbor at Rabaul to head for open seas.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> np, vp

np --> ipc, ng

ipc --> ip, com

ip --> ip, pp

ip --> adv, ip

adv --> **About**

ip --> i, pp

i --> im, v

im --> **to**

v --> **come**

pp --> p, n

p --> **under**

n --> **attack**

pp --> pp, pp

pp --> p, np

p --> **by**

np --> n, pp

n --> **planes**

pp --> p, np

p --> **of**

np --> d, ng

d --> **the**

ng --> adj, pn

adj --> **US**

pn --> **Navy**

pp --> p, dt

p --> **in**

dt --> mo, pp

mo --> **November**

pp --> p, num

p --> **of**

num --> **1943**

com -->,

ng --> adj, n

adj --> **Japanese**

n --> **warships**

vp --> vp, ip

vp --> vg, pp

vg --> v, adv  
v --> **maneuver**  
adv --> **frantically**  
pp --> adv, pp  
adv --> **out**  
pp --> p, np  
p --> of  
np --> np, pp  
np --> d, n  
d --> the  
n --> **harbor**  
pp --> p, geo  
p --> at  
geo --> **Rabaul**

ip --> i, pp  
i --> im, v  
im --> to  
v --> **head**  
pp --> p, ng  
p --> for  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> **open**  
n --> **seas**

se --> .

27. **G**Ships burning and sinking litter the harbor, while smoke and flames rise from battered shore installations and warehouses which were bombed during the 75 minute engagement.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> snt, cj\_snt

snt --> np, vp

np --> n, prt

n --> **Ships**

prt--> prt, cj\_prt

prt --> **burning**

cj\_prt --> cj, prt

cj --> **and**

prt --> **sinking**

vp --> v, np

v --> **litter**

np --> d, n

d --> **the**

n --> **harbor**

cj\_snt --> cj, snt

cj --> com, cj

com --> ,

cj --> **while**

snt --> n, vp

n --> n, cj\_n

n --> **smoke**

cj\_n --> cj, n

cj --> **and**

n --> **flames**

vp --> v, pp

v --> **rise**

pp --> p, np

p --> **from**

np --> ng, cls

ng --> adj, ng

adj --> **battered**

ng --> ng, cj\_n

ng --> adj, n

adj --> n

n --> **shore**

n --> **installations**

cj\_n --> cj, n

cj --> **and**

n --> **warehouses**  
cls --> cj, vp  
    cj --> **which**  
    vp --> vg, pp  
        vg --> aux, v  
            aux --> **were**  
            v --> **bombed**  
        pp --> p, np  
            p --> **during**  
            np --> d, ng  
                d --> **the**  
                ng --> adj, n  
                    adj --> adj, n  
                    adj --> **75**  
                n --> **minute**  
                n --> **engagement**  
se --> .

28. **H**Planes from the aircraft carrier Saratoga raided the enemy naval base on New Britain Island and several of the 25 ships there were hit and set afire as they tried to reach the open sea.

snt --> snt, se

snt --> snt, cj\_snt

snt --> np, vp

np --> n, pp

n --> **Planes**

pp --> p, np

p --> **from**

np --> d, ng

d --> **the**

ng --> adjl, pn

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> n

n --> **aircraft**

adj --> n

n --> **carrier**

pn --> **Saratoga**

vp --> v, np

v --> **raided**

np --> np, pp

np --> d, ng

d --> **the**

ng --> adjl, n

adjl --> adj, adj

adj --> n

n --> **enemy**

adj --> **naval**

n --> **base**

pp --> p, geo

p --> **on**

geo --> **New Britain Island**

cj\_snt --> cj, snt

cj --> **and**

snt --> snt, cls

snt --> np, vg

np --> np, adj

np --> prn, pp

prn --> **several**

pp --> p, np

p --> **of**

np --> d, ng  
d --> the  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> num  
num --> 25  
n --> ships

adj --> there

vg --> aux, v  
aux --> were  
v --> v, cj\_v  
v --> hit  
cj\_v --> cj, vg  
cj --> and  
vg --> v, adv  
v --> set  
adv --> afire

cls --> cj, snt  
cj --> as  
snt --> prn, vp  
prn --> they  
vp --> v, ip  
v --> tried  
ip --> i, np  
i --> im, v  
im --> to  
v --> reach  
np --> d, ng  
d --> the  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> open  
n --> sea

se --> .

29. **'From October through December, 1943, Allied air forces inflicted such destruction at Rabaul on ships, planes, and installations that the Japanese abandoned it as a major base.**

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> pp\_c, snt  
pp\_c --> pp, com  
pp --> p, dt  
p --> **From**  
dt --> mo, c\_yr  
mo --> m, cj\_mo  
m --> **October**  
cj\_mo --> cj, mo  
cj --> **through**  
mo --> **December**  
c\_yr --> com, yr  
com --> ,  
yr --> num  
num --> **1943**

com --> ,  
snt --> snt, cj\_snt  
snt --> ng, vp  
ng --> adj, ng  
adj --> **Allied**  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> n  
n --> **air**  
n --> **forces**

vp --> v, np  
v --> **inflicted**  
np --> np, pp  
np --> ng, pp  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> **such**  
n --> **destruction**  
pp --> p, geo  
p --> at  
geo --> **Rabaul**

pp --> p, n  
p --> on  
n --> n, cj\_n  
n --> **ships**  
cj\_n --> cj, n

cj --> com  
com --> ,  
n --> n, cj\_n  
n --> planes  
cj\_n --> cj, n  
cj --> com, cj  
com --> ,  
cj --> and  
n --> installations

cj\_snt --> cj, snt  
cj --> that  
snt --> np, vp  
np --> d, pn  
d --> the  
pn --> Japanese  
vp --> v, np  
v --> abandoned  
np --> prn, pp  
prn --> it  
pp --> p, np  
p --> as  
np --> d, ng  
d --> a  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> major  
n --> base

se --> .

30. **M**Circling wildly, the carrier Soryu is attacked by American dive bombers from Midway as her Zeros try in vain to defend her.

snt --> snt, se  
snt --> snt, cls  
snt --> np, vp  
np --> prtp\_c, np  
prtp\_c --> prtp, com  
prtp --> prt, adv  
prt --> Circling  
adv --> wildly  
com --> ,  
np --> d, ng  
d --> the  
ng --> adj, pn  
adj --> n  
n --> carrier  
pn --> Soryu

vp --> vg, pp  
vg --> aux, v  
aux --> is  
v --> attacked

pp --> p, np  
p --> by  
np --> ng, pp  
ng --> adj, ng  
adj --> American  
ng --> adj, n  
adj --> dive  
n --> bombers

pp --> p, geo  
p --> from  
geo --> Midway

cls --> cj, snt  
cj --> as  
snt --> ng, vp  
ng --> adj, pn  
adj --> prn  
prn --> her  
pn --> Zeros

vp --> vp, ip  
vp --> v, pp  
v --> try

pp --> p, n  
p --> **in**  
n --> **vain**  
ip --> i, prn  
i --> im, v  
im --> to  
v --> **defend**  
prn --> **her**  
**se** --> .

## APPENDIX E

### GRAMMAR RULES

This appendix contains a detailed listing the current grammar rules that were used to automatically parse the captions. Refer to Appendix A for the abbreviations.

<b>caption --&gt; np</b>	<b>cj_np --&gt; comma, ng</b>
<b>snt --&gt; snt, period</b>	<b>cj_np --&gt; comma_cj, np</b>
<b>snt --&gt; snt, cj_snt</b>	<b>cj_np --&gt; conjunction, np</b>
<b>snt --&gt; cj_snt</b>	<b>ng --&gt; noun</b>
<b>snt --&gt; cls_c, snt</b>	<b>ng --&gt; pronoun</b>
<b>snt --&gt; snt, cls</b>	<b>ng --&gt; geo</b>
<b>snt --&gt; prtp_c, snt</b>	<b>ng --&gt; dt</b>
<b>snt --&gt; snt, c_prtp</b>	<b>ng --&gt; propnoun</b>
<b>snt --&gt; snt, aps</b>	<b>ng --&gt; adjl, ng</b>
<b>snt --&gt; snt, c_dt</b>	
<b>snt --&gt; pps_c, snt</b>	<b>adjl --&gt; adj</b>
<b>snt --&gt; pps, snt</b>	<b>adjl --&gt; adj, adjl</b>
<b>snt --&gt; np, vp</b>	<b>adjl --&gt; adjl, adj ).</b>
	<b>adjl --&gt; adj, cj_adjl</b>
<b>cj_snt --&gt; conjunction, snt</b>	<b>cj_adjl --&gt; conjunction, adj</b>
<b>cj_snt --&gt; comma, snt</b>	
<b>cj_snt --&gt; comma_cj, snt</b>	<b>adj --&gt; adjective</b>
<b>comma_cj --&gt; comma, conjunction</b>	<b>adj --&gt; numeric</b>
	<b>adj --&gt; ng</b>
<b>np --&gt; determiner, ng</b>	
<b>np --&gt; ng</b>	<b>vp --&gt; cp_vp</b>
<b>np --&gt; np, cj_np</b>	<b>vp --&gt; vp, ip</b>
<b>np --&gt; np, ip</b>	<b>vp --&gt; vg, pps</b>
<b>np --&gt; ip_c, ng</b>	<b>vp --&gt; vg, np</b>
<b>np --&gt; np, pps</b>	<b>vp --&gt; tobe, np</b>
<b>np --&gt; np, prtp</b>	<b>vp --&gt; vg</b>
<b>np --&gt; prtp_c, np</b>	
<b>np --&gt; np, aps</b>	<b>cp_vp --&gt; vp, cj_vp</b>
	<b>cj_vp --&gt; conjunction, vp</b>

vg --> adverb, vg	dt2 --> month, numeric
vg --> tobe, vg	dt2 --> month
vg --> aux, vg	c_yr --> comma, numeric
vg --> verb	c_dt --> comma, dt
vg --> tobe, participle	
vg --> tobe, pps	c_geo --> comma, geo
vg --> verb, adverb	geo --> propnou
	geo --> propnou, c_geo
pps --> pp, pp	
pps --> adverb, pp	cls --> clausehead, snt
pps --> comma, pps_c	cls --> clausehead, vp
pps --> comma, pps	cls_c --> cls, comma
pps --> pp --> preposition	
pps_c --> pps, comma	aps --> openpar, apb
pp --> preposition, np	aps --> c_np --> comma
pp --> preposition, numeric	aps --> c_dt --> comma
prtp --> comma, prtp_c	aps --> c_np, comma
prtp --> prtp_c	aps --> c_dt, comma
prtp --> b_prtp, pps	apb --> np, closepar
prtp --> b_prtp, cj_b_prtp	c_np --> comma, np
prtp --> b_prtp	snt --> doesword, snt
prtp_c --> prtp, comma	
c_prtp --> comma, b_prtp	
cj_b_prtp --> conjunction, b_prtp	
b_prtp --> adverb, participle	
b_prtp --> participle, adverb	
b_prtp --> participle	
ip --> adverb, ip	
ip --> ip, np	
ip --> ip, pps	
ip --> pps, ip	
ip_c --> ip, comma	
ip --> infinmarker, vg	
dt --> dt2, c_yr	
dt --> dt2	

## APPENDIX F

### AUTOMATICALLY PARSED CAPTIONS

This appendix provides the automatically parsed captions from the Capion-Based Interface. The captions are represented with their meaning lists.

1. <sup>F</sup>She was sunk in the attack.

**My interpretation is:**

perprn(h2,she)  
tense(h2,past)  
subject(sink,c2)  
action(sink,d2)  
transitive(d2)  
inside(h2,g2)  
definite(g2)  
attack(g2)

2. <sup>A</sup>The Morotai invaders  
met no resistance.

**My interpretation is:**

definite(i2)  
name(i2,Morotai)  
place(i2)  
plural(i2)  
invader(i2)  
meet(i2,l2)  
subject(meet,i2)  
action(meet,j2)  
tense(j2,past)  
cardinality(l2,0)  
resistance(l2)

3. 'Rabaul was the main Japanese base in the area.

My interpretation is:

name(q2,Rabaul)  
place(q2)  
tense(q2,past)  
definite(q2)  
main(q2)  
nationality(q2,japan)  
base(q2)  
inside(q2,p2)  
definite(p2)  
region(p2)

4. **C**In the foreground destroyers take similar evasive action.

My interpretation is:

inside(f2,c2)  
definite(c2)  
foreground(c2)  
plural(f2)  
superclasses(e2,destroyer,[warship])  
size(f2,-)  
take(f2,j2)  
subject(take,f2)  
action(take,g2)  
plural(g2)  
tense(g2,present)  
similar(j2)  
action(j2,movement)  
action(j2)

5. American planes scored a decisive victory over enemy forces.

My interpretation is:

nationality(e2,us)  
plural(e2)  
plane(e2)  
score(e2,n2)  
subject(score,e2)  
action(score,f2)  
tense(f2,past)  
indefinite(n2)  
action(n2,thought)  
victory(n2)  
above(n2,m2)  
enemy(m2)  
plural(m2)  
force(m2)

6. One bomb has just landed near the ships bow and another at her stern.

My interpretation is:

cardinality(f3,1)  
bomb(f3)  
tense(f3,past)  
singular(f3)  
time(e2,0)  
subject(land,e2)  
action(land,f2)  
transitive(f2)  
location(f3,j2)  
definite(j2)  
plural(j2)  
ship(j2)  
vehicle(j2)  
bow(j2)  
and([j2,l2],y2)  
pronoun(l2,another)  
location(y2,x2)  
posprn(x2,her)  
stern(x2)

7. **J**In the foreground an enemy destroyer gyrates crazily to escape bombs.

**My interpretation is:**

in\_period(y2,c2)  
definite(c2)  
foreground(c2)  
indefinite(y2)  
enemy(y2)  
superclasses(k2,destroyer,[warship])  
size(y2,-)  
subject(gyrate,y2)  
action(gyrate,o2)  
singular(o2)  
tense(o2,present)  
intransitive(o2)  
motion(y2,eratic)  
infinmarker(y2)  
subject(escape,y2)  
action(escape,x2)  
plural(x2)  
tense(x2,present)  
transitive(x2)  
plural(y2)  
bomb(y2)

8. **E**An American cruiser, led by a destroyer, maneuvers to avoid Japanese attacks.

**My interpretation is:**

indefinite(m2)  
nationality(m2,us)  
superclasses(c2,cruiser,[warship])  
size(m2,-)  
lead(m2)  
action(lead,e2)  
tense(e2,past)  
transitive(e2)  
location(m2,h2)  
indefinite(h2)  
superclasses(h2,destroyer,[warship])  
size(h2,-)  
plural(m2)  
maneuver(m2)  
infinmarker(m2)  
subject(avoid,m2)  
action(avoid,v2)  
plural(v2)  
tense(v2,present)  
transitive(v2)  
name(m2,Japanese)  
subject(attack,m2)  
action(attack,d2)  
singular(d2)  
tense(d2,present)  
transitive(d2)

9. ♪Japanese carrier makes a frantic fight for life in the Philippine Sea on June 19, 1944.

My interpretation is:

name(f2,Japanese)  
carrier(f2)  
vehicle(f2)  
make(f2,l3)  
subject(make,f2)  
action(make,g2)  
singular(g2)  
tense(g2,present)  
indefinite(l3)  
action(l3,speed(+))  
fight(l3)  
beneficiary(l3,q2)  
life(q2)  
inside(q2,b3)  
definite(b3)  
name(b3,Philippine Sea)  
place(b3)  
time\_spec(q2,s2)  
name(s2,June)  
month\_name(s2)  
cardinality(s2,19)  
amount(s2)  
cardinality(s2,1944)

10. ♫Navy Task Force ships land Marines of the Fifth Amphibious Corps on Iwo Jima, Feb 19, 1945.

My interpretation is:

name(v2,Navy)  
name(v2,Task Force)  
plural(v2)  
ship(v2)  
vehicle(v2)  
land(v2,l3)  
subject(land,v2)  
action(land,m7)  
plural(m7)  
tense(m7,present)  
name(l3,Marines)  
military(l3)  
coagent(l3,p2)  
definite(p2)  
name(p2,Fifth Amphibious Corps)  
location(l3,s2)  
name(s2,Iwo Jima)  
place(s2)  
name(v2,February)  
month\_name(v2)  
cardinality(v2,19)  
amount(v2)  
cardinality(v2,1945)

11. **F**The Japanese heavy cruiser Nachi under air attack in Manila Bay on November 5, 1944

**My interpretation is:**

definite(j2)  
nationality(j2,japan)  
weight(j2,+)  
superclasses(g2,cruiser,[warship])  
size(h2,-)  
name(h2,Nachi)  
below(j2,l3)  
air(l3)  
attack(l3)  
inside(l3,m2)  
name(m2,Manila Bay)  
place(m2)  
time\_spec(j2,q2)  
name(q2,November)  
month\_name(q2)  
cardinality(q2,5)  
amount(q2)  
cardinality(q2,1944)

12. **K**But the enemy's big guns, well camouflaged in reinforced caves, were not knocked out.

**My interpretation is:**

conjunction(z2, and)  
definite(z2)  
owned\_by(z2,c2)  
enemy(c2)  
size(z2,+)  
plural(z2)  
gun(z2)  
state(z2,+)  
camouflage(z2)  
action(camouflage,j2)  
tense(j2,past)  
transitive(j2)  
in\_period(z2,m2)  
action(m2,+)  
plural(m2)  
geofeature(m2)  
tense(z2,subjunctive)  
singular(z2)  
state(y2,-)  
subject(knock,y2)  
action(knock,x2)  
transitive(x2)  
direction(y2,0)

13. **D**A Kongo class battleship  
in trouble after being hit  
by bombs and a fleet  
carrier turning away.

My interpretation is:

indefinite(s2)  
name(s2,Kongo)  
class(s2)  
superclasses(f2,battleship,[warship])  
battleship(s2)  
size(s2,+)  
inside(s2,l2)  
trouble(l2)  
time(s2,past)  
tense(s2,past)  
singular(s2)  
subject(hit,v2)  
action(hit,w2)  
transitive(w2)  
coagent(s2,y2)  
plural(y2)  
bomb(y2)  
and([y2,f2],t2)  
indefinite(f2)  
set(f2)  
carrier(f2)  
vehicle(f2)  
turn(f2)  
action(turn,j2)  
tense(j2,present)  
transitive(j2)  
direction(f2,+)

14. **A**MacArthur wanted  
Morotai so Allied aircraft  
could operate from there  
and protect his Philippine  
landings.

My interpretation is:

name(f2,MacArthur)  
want(f2,j2)  
subject(want,f2)  
action(want,g2)  
tense(g2,past)  
name(j2,Morotai)  
place(j2)  
and([f2,h2],r2)  
nationality(h2,allied)  
aircraft(h2)  
tense(h2,past)  
singular(h2)  
subject(operate,t2)  
action(operate,u2)  
plural(u2)  
transitive(u2)  
time\_src(h2,w2)  
location(w2)  
and([h2,e2],m2)  
protect(e2,n2)  
subject(protect,e2)  
action(protect,k2)  
plural(k2)  
tense(k2,present)  
posprn(n2,his)  
nationality(n2,philippine)  
plural(n2)  
landing(n2)

15. **G**Rabaul Harbor presented this sight after the attack by Allied planes, Nov 5, 1943, on the Japanese stronghold.

**My interpretation is:**

name(p2,Rabaul Harbor)  
place(p2)  
present(p2,t3)  
subject(present,p2)  
action(present,j2)  
tense(j2,past)  
this(t3)  
sight(t3)  
time\_spec(t3,q3)  
definite(q3)  
attack(q3)  
location(q3,u2)  
nationality(u2,allied)  
plural(u2)  
plane(u2)  
name(p2,November)  
month\_name(p2)  
cardinality(p2,5)  
amount(p2)  
cardinality(p2,1943)  
time\_spec(p2,v2)  
definite(v2)  
nationality(v2,japan)  
stronghold(v2)

16. **A**US soldiers wading ashore in columns churn up the waters off Morotai Island, midway between western New Guinea and the Philippines.

**My interpretation is:**

nationality(r2,us)  
plural(r2)  
soldier(r2)  
wade(r2)  
action(wade,d2)  
tense(d2,present)  
transitive(d2)  
place(r2,beach)  
inside(r2,g2)  
plural(g2)  
column(g2)  
churn(r2,w3)  
subject(churn,r2)  
action(churn,q2)  
plural(q2)  
tense(q2,present)  
vert\_direction(r2,+)  
definite(w3)  
plural(w3)  
water(w3)  
location(w3,e3)  
name(e3,Morotai Island)  
place(e3)  
place(e3,center)  
location(e3,w2)  
direction(w2,270)  
name(w2,New Guinea)  
place(w2)  
and([w3,z2],e4)  
definite(z2)  
name(z2,Philippines)  
place(z2)

17. <sup>G</sup>Three enemy destroyers, eight merchant ships, and four coastal vessels were sunk, and 67 Japanese planes shot down in this Allied blow.

18. <sup>H</sup>Japanese ships scurry to get out of land-locked Rabaul Harbor during the attacks by American bombers on Nov 5, 1943.

No results due to failure to parse.

My interpretation is:

cardinality(f2,3)  
enemy(f2)  
superclasses(c2,destroyer,[warship])  
size(f2,-)  
cardinality(f2,8)  
merchant(f2)  
plural(f2)  
ship(f2)  
vehicle(f2)  
and([f2,j2],n2)  
cardinality(j2,4)  
terrain(j2,coast)  
plural(j2)  
ship(j2)  
vehicle(j2)  
tense(n2,past)  
plural(n2)  
subject(sink,o2)  
action(sink,p2)  
transitive(p2)  
and([f2,d3],l3)  
amount(d3)  
cardinality(d3,67)  
nationality(d3,japan)  
plural(d3)  
plane(d3)  
subject(shoot,d3)  
action(shoot,o3)  
tense(o3,past)  
transitive(o3)  
vert\_direction(d3,-)  
inside(d3,c3)  
this(c3)  
nationality(c3,allied)  
blow(c3)

19.<sup>H</sup>Rabaul was under constant bombardment by our planes in order to neutralize or destroy that strong Japanese base.

My interpretation is:

name(e5,Rabaul)  
place(e5)  
tense(e5,past)  
below(e5,v2)  
action(v2,speed(0))  
bombardment(v2)  
coagent(v2,k2)  
posprn(k2,our)  
plural(k2)  
plane(k2)  
inside(e5,q2)  
order(q2)  
infinmarker(q2)  
subject(neutralize,q2)  
action(neutralize,r2)  
plural(r2)  
tense(r2,present)  
transitive(r2)  
or([u2,c4],c5)  
subject(destroy,c4)  
action(destroy,d4)  
plural(d4)  
tense(d4,present)  
transitive(d4)  
that(e5,g4)  
strength(g4,+)  
name(g4,Japanese)  
subject(base,g4)  
action(base,a5)  
plural(a5)  
tense(a5,present)  
transitive(a5)

20. <sup>I</sup>Japanese freighter, smashed by Allied bombers during raid on Rabaul, New Britain, settles fast at the stern.

My interpretation is:

nationality(z7,japan)  
ship(z7)  
freighter(z7)  
smash(z7)  
action(smash,g2)  
tense(g2,past)  
transitive(g2)  
coagent(z7,n2)  
nationality(n2,allied)  
plural(n2)  
bomber(n2)  
time\_spec(n2,l2)  
action(l2)  
location(n2,o2)  
name(o2,Rabaul)  
name(o2,New Britain)  
place(o2)  
subject(settle,z7)  
action(settle,r7)  
singular(r7)  
tense(r7,present)  
transitive(r7)  
motion(z7,+)  
location(z7,y7)  
definite(y7)  
stern(y7)

21. **K**Bombs and shells from heavy pre-invasion bombardment were still bursting ashore as landing craft hit the beach.

My interpretation is:

plural(a2)  
bomb(a2)  
and([a2,c2],x2)  
plural(c2)  
shell(c2)  
time\_src(x2,m2)  
weight(m2,+)  
subtype(m2,k2)  
prefix(k2,+)  
before(k2)  
invation(k2)  
bombardment(m2)  
tense(x2,past)  
plural(x2)  
frequency(a2,0)  
subject(bursting,a2)  
action(bursting,l2)  
plural(l2)  
transitive(l2)  
place(a2,beach)  
as([a2,l3],z3)  
landing(l3)  
craft(l3)  
hit(l3,j3)  
subject(hit,l3)  
action(hit,m3)  
plural(m3)  
tense(m3,present)  
definite(j3)  
geofeature(j3)

22. **K**LCI (Landing Craft Infantry Gunboats) had cleared the way for the Marines by moving into the beaches and firing into shore positions with small caliber guns.

My interpretation is:

name(h2,LCI(G))  
clear(h2,w4)  
tense(g2,past)  
singular(g2)  
subject clear,h2  
action clear,i2  
definite(w4)  
way(w4)  
beneficiary(w4,a7)  
definite(a7)  
name(a7,Marines)  
military(a7)  
coagent(a7,r2)  
move(r2)  
inside(w4,u2)  
definite(u2)  
geofeature(u2)  
and([w4,o2],b19)  
fire(o2)  
inside(o2,a2)  
shore(a2)  
plural(a2)  
position(a2)  
coagent(a2,x2)  
size(x2,-)  
caliber(x2)  
plural(x2)  
gun(x2)

23. **K**As the Marines stormed ashore, the Japanese opened up, pouring shells from high ground onto our forces.

My interpretation is:

coagent(b4,v2)  
name(v2,Marines)  
military(v2)  
storm(v2)  
action(storm,h2)  
tense(h2,past)  
transitive(h2)  
place(v2,beach)  
definite(v2)  
name(v2,Japanese)  
open(v2)  
action(open,n2)  
tense(n2,past)  
transitive(n2)  
vert\_direction(v2,+)  
pour(v2)  
action(pour,w2)  
tense(w2,present)  
transitive(w2)  
plural(b4)  
shell(b4)  
source(b4,x3)  
height(x3,+)  
ground(x3)  
above(x3,w3)  
posprn(w3,our)  
subject(force,b4)  
action(force,c4)  
singular(c4)  
tense(c4,present)  
transitive(c4)

24. **L**55000 ton Missouri, flanked by destroyer, steams into Tokyo Bay, August 28, after waiting two days in Sagami Bay for demining of the upper waters.

No results.

25. **C**Surrounded by bursting bombs, a Shokaku class fleet carrier turns sharply in an effort to evade the attentions of US carrier-based strike aircraft.

**My interpretation is:**

surround(r3)	action(strike,s3)
action(surround,b2)	plural(s3)
tense(b2,past)	tense(s3,present)
transitive(b2)	aircraft(f3)
location(r3,g2)	
action(g2,+)	
plural(g2)	
bomb(g2)	
indefinite(r3)	
name(r3,Shokaku)	
class(r3)	
set(r3)	
carrier(r3)	
vehicle(r3)	
plural(r3)	
turn(r3)	
sharp(r3,0)	
inside(r3,o2)	
indefinite(o2)	
effort(o2)	
infinmarker(o2)	
subject(evade,o2)	
action(evade,a2)	
plural(a2)	
tense(a2,present)	
transitive(a2)	
definite(o2)	
plural(o2)	
attention(o2)	
coagent(r3,u2)	
nationality(u2,us)	
name(u2,carrier-based)	
coagent(u2)	
strike(r3,f3)	
subject(strike,r3)	

26. **<sup>8</sup>About to come under attack by planes of the US Navy in November 1943, Japanese warships maneuver frantically out of the harbor at Rabaul to head for open seas.**

No results.

27. **©Ships burning and sinking litter the harbor, while smoke and flames rise from battered shore installations and warehouses which were bombed during the 75 minute engagement.**

**My interpretation is:**

plural(b2)	installation(r2)
ship(b2)	and([r2,t2],y2)
vehicle(b2)	plural(t2)
burn(b2)	warehouse(t2)
action(burn,c2)	clshead(o3,which)
tense(c2,present)	tense(o3,past)
transitive(c2)	plural(o3)
and([b2,e2],j2)	subject(bomb,g3)
sink(e2)	action(bomb,h3)
action(sink,f2)	transitive(h3)
tense(f2,present)	time_spec(o3,n3)
transitive(f2)	definite(n3)
litter(j2,m2)	amount(n3)
subject(litter,j2)	cardinality(n3,75)
action(litter,k2)	time_loc(n3)
plural(k2)	engagement(n3)
tense(k2,present)	
definite(m2)	
harbor(m2)	
and([b2,q2],h5)	
smoke(q2)	
and([q2,s2],o3)	
plural(s2)	
flame(s2)	
subject(rise,o3)	
action(rise,a2)	
plural(a2)	
tense(a2,present)	
intransitive(a2)	
source(o3,r2)	
state(r2,damaged)	
shore(r2)	
plural(r2)	

28. **H**Planes from the aircraft carrier Saratoga raided the enemy naval base on New Britain Island and several of the 25 ships there were hit and set afire as they tried to reach the open sea.

**My interpretation is:**

plural(e2)	transitive(v7)
plane(e2)	and([w7,h8],m18)
source(e2,j2)	set(h8)
definite(j2)	action(h8,burn)
aircraft(j2)	coagent(h8,b8)
carrier(j2)	perprn(b8,they)
vehicle(j2)	subject(try,h8)
name(j2,Saratoga)	action(try,v8)
raid(e2,e6)	tense(v8,past)
subject(raid,e2)	transitive(v8)
action(raid,f2)	infinmarker(h8)
tense(f2,past)	subject(reach,h8)
definite(e6)	action(reach,b8)
enemy(e6)	plural(b8)
military(e6,navy)	tense(b8,present)
base(e6)	transitive(b8)
time_spec(e6,v2)	definite(h8)
name(v2,New Britain Island)	unlocked(h8)
place(v2)	purpose(h8)
and([e2,w7],p18)	sea(h8)
pronoun(w7,several)	geofeature(h8)
subtype(w7,h3)	
definite(h3)	
amount(h3)	
cardinality(h3,25)	
plural(h3)	
ship(h3)	
vehicle(h3)	
location(h3)	
tense(w7,subjunctive)	
singular(w7)	
hit(u7)	
action(hit,v7)	

29. 'From October through December, 1943, Allied air forces inflicted such destruction at Rabaul on ships, planes, and installations that the Japanese abandoned it as a major base.

No results

30. "Circling wildly, the carrier Soryu is attacked by American dive bombers from Midway as her Zeros try in vain to defend her.

No results.

## APPENDIX G

### SOURCE CODE

This appendix provides the source code for the Captioned Based Interface. The code is currently located on the Computer Science ai9 computer in the directory ai9/work/dulle/CBI which is an open directory. To start the program from this directory you must start-up C-Prolog and then give the file [nlp] to load the program. After the program is loaded then issue the command state and the program will be ready to run.

The following code is blocked out in such away as to provide credit as to who wrote which sections.

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/* parser16 */
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The following section was written by Dr. Neil Rowe

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/* This is top level of parser, with 2 inputs and 2 outputs: */
/* list to be parsed, part of speech it should be parsed as, */
/* the remaining list after the parse, and the meaning list generated. */


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```
parse(L,P,L2,ML) :- abolish(cached_parse,4), abolish(cached_failed_parse,3),
possible_parts_of_speech(L,PSL), parse2(L,P,[],PSL,L2,ML).
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```
possible_parts_of_speech(L,PSL) :- bagof(PS,word_part_of_speech(L,PS),PSL).
word_part_of_speech(L,WPS) :- member(W,L), setof(PS,xd(W,PS),WPS).
```

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/* The third and fourth arguments to parser2 are the stack of rules */
/* being used (to avoid infinite loops) and the possible parts of */
/* speech for each word, as an ordered sequence of sublists. */


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parse2([],P,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- !, fail.
parse2(L,P,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- get_parse_rule(P,RPL,TPSL),
    not(member([P,RPL],Stack)), some_pair_intersect(PSL,TPSL),
    parse_items(L,RPL,[[P,RPL]|Stack],PSL,L2,ML).

parse_items(L,[RP],Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML).
parse_items(L,[RP1,RP2],Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :-
    parse_item(L,RP1,Stack,PSL,L3,ML1), length(L3,NL3),
    cut_to_length(PSL,NL3,PSL2), parse_item(L3,RP2,[],PSL2,L2,ML2),
    combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,RP1,RP2,ML), check_semantics(ML,RP1,RP2).

parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- atomic_part_of_speech(RP), !,
    parse_item2(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML).
parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML).
parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML), !, fail.
parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- cached_failed_parse(L,RP,L2), !, fail.
parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- parse_item2(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML),
    add_cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML).
parse_item(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- not(cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML)),
    not(cached_failed_parse(L,RP,L2)),
    asserta(cached_failed_parse(L,RP,L2)), !, fail.
add_cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML) :- cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML), !.
add_cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML) :- asserta(cached_parse(L,RP,L2,ML)), !.

/* Fail if input multi-word and looking for only one word to cover all input */
/* (assumption: proper nouns are the only multi-word dictionary entries) */
parse_item2([X|Y|WL],RP,Stack,PSL,L,ML) :- atomic_part_of_speech(RP),
    not(var(L)), emptylist(L), not(RP=propnoun), !, fail.

/* When most words are parsed, a new variable is generated for them, */
/* which is put as the last argument to any meaning-list facts for the word */
parse_item2([X|L],RP,Stack,PSL,L,ML) :- atomic_part_of_speech(RP),
    not(RP=verb),
    d(X,RP,ML2), get_variable(V), addvar(V,ML2,ML).

parse_item2([P|L],P,Stack,PSL,L,[]) :- punctuation(P), !.
parse_item2([X|L],P,Stack,PSL,L,[]) :- punctuation(P), !, fail.

/* Note verbs and participles have two separate meaning-list items: */
/* one with the verb name as predicate (to link direct objects of the verb), */
/* one with predicate "action" (to name the action, to link adverbial stuff) */

parse_item2([X|L],verb,Stack,PSL,L,[P,action(CX,V2)|ML4]) :-

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canonical_verb(X,CX,ML1), d(CX,verb,ML2), append(ML1,ML2,ML3),
get_variable(V), P=..[subject,CX,V], get_variable(V2), addvar(V2,ML3,ML4).
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```
parse_item2([X|L],participle,Stack,PSL,L,[P,action(UX,V2)|ML3]) :-
unparticiple(X,UX,ML1), d(UX,verb,ML2), union(ML1,ML2,ML12),
get_variable(V), P=..[UX,V], get_variable(V2), addvar(V2,ML12,ML3).
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```
/* A noun ending in "s" not in the dictionary is assumed plural */
parse_item2([X|L],noun,Stack,PSL,L,ML) :- name(X,AX), unplural(X,SX),
d(SX,noun,ML2), get_variable(V), addvar(V,[plural|ML2],ML).
```

```
/* Single-letter words can be shape descriptors, either nouns or adjectives */
parse_item2([X|L],PS,Stack,PSL,L,[form(V,X)]) :- single_letter(X),
(PS=noun;PS=adjective), get_variable(V), not(X=a).
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/* Words with hyphens can be adverb-participle combinations */
parse_item2([X|L],adjl,Stack,PSL,L,ML) :- name(X,AX), ap-
pend(AX1,[45|AX2],AX),
name(X1,AX1), name(X2,AX2), possible_parts_of_speech([X1,X2],PSL2),
parse_item2([X2,X1],prtp,[],PSL2,[],ML).
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/* Or words with hyphens can be adjective-noun adjectival combinations */
parse_item2([X|L],adjl,Stack,PSL,L,[subtype(V2,V)|ML]) :- name(X,AX),
append(AX1,[45|AX2],AX), name(X1,AX1), name(X2,AX2),
possible_parts_of_speech([X1,X2],PSL2),
parse_item2([X1,X2],np,[],PSL2,[],ML), find_first_variable(ML,V),
get_variable(V2).
```

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/* Or words with hyphens can be noun-noun adjectival combinations */
/*
parse_item2([X|L],noun,Stack,PSL,L,[subtype(V2,V)|ML]) :- name(X,AX),
append(AX1,[45|AX2],AX), name(X1,AX1), name(X2,AX2),
possible_parts_of_speech([X1,X2],PSL2),
parse_item2([X1,X2],noun,[],PSL2,[],ML), find_first_variable(ML,V),
get_variable(V2).
*/
```

```
/* Or words with hyphens can be noun-verb adjectival combinations */
/*
parse_item2([X|L],noun,Stack,PSL,L,[subtype(V2,V)|ML]) :- name(X,AX),
append(AX1,[45|AX2],AX), name(X1,AX1), name(X2,AX2),
possible_parts_of_speech([X1,X2],PSL2),
parse_item2([X1,X2],verb,[],PSL2,[],ML), find_first_variable(ML,V),
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    get_variable(V2).
*/
/* Words with apostrophe-S are possessives and act like adjectives */
parse_item2([X|L],adjective,Stack,PSL,L,[owned_by(V2,V)|ML]) :- name(X,AX),
append(AX1,[39,115],AX), name(X1,AX1), member(RP,[noun,propnoun,month]),
d(X1,RP,ML2), get_variable(V), addvar(V,ML2,ML), get_variable(V2).

parse_item2(L,propnoun,Stack,PSL,L4,ML) :- first(L,FL), capitalized(FL),
propnoun(L3,ML2), list(L3), append(L3,L4,L), get_variable(V), ad-
dvar(V,ML2,ML).

/* Otherwise, if word not in the dictionary, and not a simple */
/* grammatical category, it must be a grammar term */
parse_item2(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML) :- not(atomic_part_of_speech(RP)),
parse2(L,RP,Stack,PSL,L2,ML).

/* Dictionary is stored with part of speech as predicate name; */
/* dictionary lookups must convert into proper expression form */
d(W,PS,ML) :- atomic_part_of_speech(PS), Q=..[PS,W,ML], call(Q).

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The following section was written by John Dulle and modified by Dr. Rowe.

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/* Next are the context-free grammar rules (parse tree must be binary) */
/* Note parse rules two or three arguments: left side, right side, */
/* and (optionally) some parts of speech necessary for rest of sentence, */
/* in order (if there are options, they can be in sublists) */


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get_parse_rule(PS,PSL,TPS) :- parse_rule(PS,PSL,TPS).
get_parse_rule(PS,PSL,[]) :- parse_rule(PS,PSL).

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/* parse_rule(ng,[g]). */
parse_rule(g,[dictg]). */

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parse_rule(caption,[np]).

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parse_rule(snt,[snt,period],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],

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[verb,tobe],
period)).
parse_rule(snt,[snt,cj_snt],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe],
conjunction,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(snt,[cj_snt],
[conjunction,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(snt,[cls_c,snt],
[clausehead,
[verb,tobe],
comma,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(snt,[snt,cls],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe],
clausehead,
[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(snt,[prtp_c,snt],
[participle,
comma,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(snt,[snt,c_prtp],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe],
comma,
participle]).
parse_rule(snt,[snt,aps],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe],
[comma,openpar],
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[comma,closepar]]).
parse_rule(snt,[snt,c_dt],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe],
comma,

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[month,numeric]]).

parse_rule(snt,[pps_c,snt],
[preposition,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
comma,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(snt,[pps,snt],
[preposition,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(snt,[np,vp],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(cj_snt,[conjunction,snt],
[conjunction,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(cj_snt,[comma,snt],
[comma,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(cj_snt,[comma_cj,snt],
[comma,
conjunction,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(comma_cj,[comma,conjunction]).


parse_rule(np,[determiner,ng]).
parse_rule(np,[ng]).
parse_rule(np,[np,cj_np],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
conjunction,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).

parse_rule(np,[np,ip],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],infinmarker,[verb,tobe]]).

parse_rule(np,[ip_c,ng],
[infinmarker,[verb,tobe],[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).

parse_rule(np,[np,pps],
[[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
preposition,

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[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(np,[np,prtp],
  [[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
  participle]).
parse_rule(np,[prtp_c,np],
  [participle,comma,[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(np,[np,aps],
  [[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
  [comma,openpar],
  [noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month],
  [comma,closepar]]).
parse_rule(cj_np,[comma,ng],
  [comma,
  [noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(cj_np,[comma_cj,np],
  [comma,
  conjunction,
  [noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(cj_np,[conjunction,np],
  [conjunction,
  [noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).

parse_rule(ng,[noun],[noun]).
parse_rule(ng,[pronoun],[pronoun]).
parse_rule(ng,[geo],[propnoun]).
parse_rule(ng,[dt],[month]).
parse_rule(ng,[propnoun],[propnoun]).
parse_rule(ng,[adjl,ng]).

parse_rule(adjl,[adj]). 
parse_rule(adjl,[adj,adjl]). 
parse_rule(adjl,[adjl,adj]). 
parse_rule(adjl,[adj,cj_adjl],[conjunction]). 
parse_rule(cj_adjl,[conjunction,adj]). 
parse_rule(adj,[adjective]). 
parse_rule(adj,[numeric],[numeric]). 
parse_rule(adj,[ng]). 

parse_rule(vp,[cp_vp],[[verb,tobe],conjunction,[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(vp,[vp,ip],[[verb,tobe],infinmarker,[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(vp,[vg,pps],
  [[verb,tobe],
  preposition,

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[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(vp,[vg,np],[[verb,tobe],[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(vp,[tobe,np]).
parse_rule(vp,[vg],[[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(cp_vp,[vp,cj_vp]).
parse_rule(cj_vp,[conjunction,vp]).

parse_rule(vg,[adverb,vg],[adverb]).
parse_rule(vg,[tobe,vg],[tobe,[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(vg,[aux,vg],[aux,[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(vg,[verb],[verb]).
parse_rule(vg,[tobe,participle],[tobe,participle]).
parse_rule(vg,[tobe,pps],[tobe,preposition]).
parse_rule(vg,[verb,adverb],[verb,adverb]).

parse_rule(pps,[pp,pp],[preposition,preposition]).
parse_rule(pps,[adverb,pp],[adverb,preposition]).
parse_rule(pps,[comma,pps_c],[comma,preposition,comma]).
parse_rule(pps,[comma,pps],[comma,preposition]).
parse_rule(pps,[pp],[preposition]).
parse_rule(pps_c,[pps,comma],[preposition,comma]).
parse_rule(pp,[preposition,np],
[preposition,
[noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(pp,[preposition,numeric],
[preposition,
numeric]). 

parse_rule(prtp,[comma,prtp_c],[comma,participle,comma]).
parse_rule(prtp,[prtp_c],[participle,comma]).
parse_rule(prtp,[b_prtp,pps],[participle,preposition]).
parse_rule(prtp,[b_prtp,cj_b_prtp],[participle,conjunction,participle]).
parse_rule(prtp,[b_prtp]). 

parse_rule(prtp_c,[prtp,comma],[participle,comma]).
parse_rule(c_prtp,[comma,b_prtp],[comma,participle]).
parse_rule(cj_b_prtp,[conjunction,b_prtp],[conjunction,participle]). 

parse_rule(b_prtp,[adverb,participle]).
parse_rule(b_prtp,[participle,adverb]).
parse_rule(b_prtp,[participle]). 

parse_rule(ip,[adverb,ip],[adverb,infinmarker,[verb,tobe]]).

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parse_rule(ip,[ip,np],
    [infinmarker,
    [verb,tobe],
    [noun,propnoun,pronoun,geo,month]]).
parse_rule(ip,[ip,pps],[infinmarker,[verb,tobe],preposition]).
parse_rule(ip,[pps,ip],[preposition,infinmarker,[verb,tobe]]).
parse_rule(ip_c,[ip,comma],[infinmarker,[verb,tobe],comma]).
parse_rule(ip,[infinmarker,vg]).  

parse_rule(dt,[dt2,c_yr]).  

parse_rule(dt,[dt2]).  

parse_rule(dt2,[month,numeric]).  

parse_rule(dt2,[month]).  

parse_rule(c_yr,[comma,numeric]).  

parse_rule(c_dt,[comma,dt]).  

parse_rule(c_geo,[comma,geo]).  

parse_rule(geo,[propnoun]).  

parse_rule(geo,[propnoun,c_geo]).  

parse_rule(cls,[clausehead,snt]).  

parse_rule(cls,[clausehead,vp]).  

parse_rule(cls_c,[cls,comma]).  

parse_rule(aps,[openpar,apb],[openpar]).  

parse_rule(aps,[c_np],[comma]).  

parse_rule(aps,[c_dt],[comma]).  

parse_rule(aps,[c_np,comma],[comma,comma]).  

parse_rule(aps,[c_dt,comma],[comma,comma]).  

parse_rule(apb,[np,closepar]).  

parse_rule(c_np,[comma,np]).  

parse_rule(snt,[doesword,snt]).
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The following section was written by Dr. Neil Rowe, Gene Guglielm, and John Dulle

\*\*\*\*\*/\*  
"combine\_meanings" does the tricky stuff in semantic interpretation:  
it handles two-term parse rules, combining the meaning lists for the  
parses of the two terms.

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*/
combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,preposition,np,ML) :-
    singlember(property(Q,V),ML1),
    !,
    find_first_variable(ML2,Y),
    get_variable(X),
    P=..[V,X,Y],
    delete(property(Q,V),ML1,ML1X),
    union([P|ML1X],ML2,ML),
    !.

/*
Rule to tie together the subject and object when encountering a transitive
verb.
*/
combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,vg,np,ML) :-
    singlember(transitive(VerbVar),ML1),
    !,
    singlember(subject(Verb,WhoVar),ML1),
    find_first_variable(ML2,ObjVar),
    PX=..[Verb,WhoVar,ObjVar],
    delete(transitive(VerbVar),ML1,ML1X),
    union([PX|ML1X],ML2,ML),
    !.

/*
Rule adjusts for the tenses between the aux/tobe and the verb/participle.
*/
combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
    member([S1,S2],[[aux,vg],[tobe,vg],[tobe,participle]]),
    !,singlember(tense(_,TA),ML1),
    delete(tense(_,TV),ML2,ML2X),
    union(ML1,ML2X,ML),
    !.

combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
    member([S1,S2],[[aux,vg],[tobe,vg],[tobe,participle]]),
    !,singlember(tense(_,TA),ML1),
    not(singlember(tense(_,TV),ML2)),
    singlember(action(X,Y),ML2),
    union([tense(X,TA)],ML2,ML),
    !.

combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML2) :-

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member([S1,S2],[[aux,vg],[tobe,vg],[tobe,participle]]),
!.

combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
    member([S1,S2],[[determiner,ng],[adjl,ng],[adverb,vg]]),
    !,
    find_first_variable(ML1,X),
    find_first_variable(ML2,Y),
    change_variable(X,Y,ML1,ML1X),
    union(ML1X,ML2,ML),
    !.

combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
    member([S1,S2],[[doesword,sentence]]),
    !,
    find_first_variable(ML1,X),
    singlember(action(A,Y),ML2),
    change_variable(X,Y,ML1,ML1X),
    delete(tense(Y,T),ML2,ML2X),
    delete(plural(Y),ML2X,ML2Y),
    union(ML2Y,ML1X,ML),
    !.

combine_meanings([P|ML1],ML2,participle,np,ML) :-
    !,
    find_first_variable(ML2,Y),
    P=..[A,B],
    PX=..[A,B,Y],
    union([PX|ML1],ML2,ML),
    !.

combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,clausehead,snt,ML) :-
    !,
    singlember(clshead(Q,V),ML1),
    find_first_variable(ML2,Y),
    get_variable(X),
    P=..[V,X,Y],
    delete(clshead(Q,V),ML1,ML1X),
    union([P|ML1X],ML2,ML),
    !.

combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
    member([S1,S2],[[adjl,cj_adjll],[vp,cj_vp],[b_prtp,cj_b_prtp]]),

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[snt,cj_snt],[np,cj_np]]),
!,
find_first_variable(ML1,X),
member(conjunction(Z,C),ML2),
delete(conjunction(Z,C),ML2,ML2X),
find_first_variable(ML2X,Y),
get_variable(V, P=..[C,[X,Y],V],
union(ML1,[P|ML2X],ML),
!.

combine_meanings([],snt,period,ML) :-
!.
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combine_meanings([],ML,comma,SP,ML) :-
member(SP,[conjunction, snt, pps_c, pps, b_prtp, prtp_c,
numeric, dt, geo, ng, np]),
!.
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combine_meanings([],SP,comma,ML) :-
member(SP, [pps, prtp, cls, c_np, c_dt, ip]),
!.
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combine_meanings([],np,closepar,ML) :-
!.
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combine_meanings([],ML,openpar,apb,ML) :-
!.
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/*
Rule to handle multiple subjects performing a single action.
*/
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combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
member(and(_,X),ML1),
!,
find_first_variable(ML2,Y),
change_variable(X,Y,ML1,ML1X), union(ML1X,ML2,ML),
!.
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/*
This is the default combined meanings.
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combine_meanings(ML1,ML2,S1,S2,ML) :-
    !,
    find_first_variable(ML1,X),
    find_first_variable(ML2,Y),
    change_variable(X,Y,ML1,ML1X),
    union(ML1X,ML2,ML),
    !.

check_list(MSG,X) :- nl,nl,write('Meaning List For: '),
    write(X),nl,check_list2(MSG).
check_list2(MSG) :- member(Y,MSG),write('   '),write(Y),nl,fail.
check_list2(MSG).
write_list(ML) :- member(Y,ML),write('   '),write(Y),nl,fail.
write_list(ML).

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*/\* Running of semantic checks; this code could be greatly expanded \*/*

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check_semantics(ML,RP1,pp) :- !, not(case_violation(ML)), !.
check_semantics(ML,RP1,RP2) :- !.

case_violation(ML) :- member(P,[time_spec(A,B),in_period(A,B),
    location(A,B),inside(A,B),
    destination(A,B),source(A,B),purpose(A,B),beneficiary(A,B),coagent(A,B),
    tool(A,B),above(A,B),below(A,B)]),
    member(P,ML), P=..[Pred,A,B], case_violation2(Pred,A,B,ML).

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The following section was written by Dr. Neil Rowe, Dr. Holtkamp, and John Dulle

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/*
case_violation(ML) :- write('Check_semantics failed on '),
    write(ML), nl, !, fail.
*/

case_violation2(P,A,B,ML) :-
    member(P,[location,destination,source]), not(location_name(B,ML)).
case_violation2(P,A,B,ML) :-
    member(P,[time_spec,in_period,time_dest,time_src]), not(time_loc_name(B,ML)).
case_violation2(P,A,B,ML) :-
    member(P,[inside,above,location,source,destination,purpose,beneficiary]),

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time_loc_name(B,ML).
caseViolation2(P,A,B,ML) :- member(P,[coagent]),
location_name(A,ML).
caseViolation2(P,A,B,ML) :- member(P,[purpose,beneficiary,coagent]),
location_name(B,ML).

location_name(X,ML) :-
member(P,[place,region,geofeature,river,junction,vegetation,plant,edge]),
Q=..[P,X], member(Q,ML), !.
location_name(X,ML) :- member(road(X,V),ML), !.

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time_loc_name(X,ML) :-
member(P,[month_name,holiday_name,time_loc,action]),
Q=..[P,X], member(Q,ML), !.

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*/\* Morphology \*/*

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/* This tries to find the singular form of a plural noun */
unplural(PV,SV) :- name(PV,APV), name('s',AS), append(APV,AS,APV),
name(SV,ASV).

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*/\* This tries to find the present-tense singular form of a given verb, \*/*  
*/\* with meaning list holding the meaning of the original suffix \*/*

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canonical_verb(V,CV,[singular,tense(present)]) :- name(V,AV), name('s',AD),
append(ACV,AD,AV), name(CV,ACV).
canonical_verb(V,CV,[singular,tense(present)]) :- name(V,AV), name('es',AD),
append(ACV,AD,AV), name(CV,ACV), last(ACV,AI), consonant(AI).
canonical_verb(V,CV,[tense(past)]) :- name(V,AV), name('d',AD),
append(ACV,AD,AV), name(CV,ACV).
canonical_verb(V,CV,[tense(past)]) :- name(V,AV), name('ed',AD),
append(ACV,AD,AV), name(CV,ACV), last(ACV,AI), consonant(AI).
canonical_verb(had,have,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(has,have,[singular,tense(present)]).
canonical_verb(came,come,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(went,go,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(left,leave,[tense(past)]).

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canonical_verb(blew,blow,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(burnt,burn,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(cut,cut,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(dove,dive,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(fought,fight,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(got,get,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(hit,hit,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(knew,know,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(laid,lay,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(left,leave,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(made,make,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(meet,meet,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(rose,rise,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(ran,run,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(saw,see,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(set,set,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(shot,shoot,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(sank,sink,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(sunk,sink,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(struck,strike,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(took,take,[tense(past)]).
canonical_verb(tried,try,[tense(past)]).

canonical_verb(V,V,[plural,tense(present)]).

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*/\* This finds the verb corresponding to a participle \*/*

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unparticiple(X,UX,[tense(present)]) :- name(X,AX), name('ing',AING),
append(AF,AING,AX), unparticiple2(AF,AUX), name(UX,AUX).
unparticiple(X,UX,[tense(past)]) :- name(X,AX), name('d',AD),
append(AF,AD,AX), unparticiple2(AF,AUX), name(UX,AUX).
unparticiple(being,is,[tense(present)]).
unparticiple(been,is,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(circling,circle,[tense(present)]).
unparticiple(run,run,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(gone,go,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(see,seen,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(blown,blow,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(burnt,burn,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(cut,cut,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(dove,dive,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(got,get,[tense(past)]).

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unparticiple(hit,hit,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(known,knew,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(led,lead,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(left,leave,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(made,make,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(met,meet,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(risen,rise,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(seen,see,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(set,set,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(shot,shoot,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(struck,strike,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(sunk,sink,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(taken,take,[tense(past)]).
unparticiple(wading,wade,[tense(present)]).

unparticiple2(AF,AF).
unparticiple2(AF,AUX) :- name('e',AE), append(AUX,AE,AF).
unparticiple2(AF,AUX) :- last(AF,LAF), butlast(AF,AUX), last(AUX,LAF).

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consanant(A) :- singlember(A,[98,99,100,102,103,104,106,107,108,109,110,
112,113,114,115,116,118,119,120,121,122]). 

capitalized(W) :- name(W,AW), first(AW,FAW), FAW>64, FAW<91, !. 

/* Manipulation of "variables" (which actually appear as small letters) */ 

parse_number(1). 

get_variable(V) :- retract(variable_name(X)), name(X,AX), parse_number(N),
name(N,AN), append(AX,AN,AV), name(V,AV), !. 
get_variable(V) :- reconsult(variables), !, retract(parse_number(N)),
Np1 is N+1, asserta(parse_number(Np1)), get_variable(V). 

addvar(X,[],[]). 
addvar(X,[P|L],[PX|PL]) :- addvar2(X,P,PX), addvar(X,L,PL). 

addvar2(X,P,PX) :- atom(P), PX=..[P,X]. 
addvar2(X,P,PX) :- P=..[P2,Y], PX=..[P2,X,Y].

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addvar2(X,P,PX) :- P=..[P2,Y,Z], PX =..[P2,X,Y,Z]. /* bh */

find_first_variable([E|ML],X) :- E=..[P,X|L], possible_variable_name(X), !.
find_first_variable([E|ML],Y) :- E=..[P,X,Y|L], possible_variable_name(Y), !.
find_first_variable([E|ML],X) :- find_first_variable(ML,X), !.

possible_variable_name([]) :- !, fail.
possible_variable_name([A|B]) :- !, fail.

possible_variable_name(X) :- not(var(X)), name(X,[AV|AN]), name(N,AN),
    number(N), AV>96, AV<123, !.

single_letter([A|B]) :- !, fail.
single_letter(X) :- not(var(X)), name(X,[A]), A>64, A<123, !.

change_variable(A,B,PL1,PL2) :- change_variable2(A,B,PL1,PL2),
    name(A,[AFA|ABFA]), name(FA,[AFA]), good_assert(variable_name(FA)), !.
change_variable2(A,B,[],[]).
change_variable2(A,B,[P|L],[P2|M]) :- P=..[R,A],
    !, P2=..[R,B], change_variable2(A,B,L,M).
change_variable2(A,B,[P|L],[P2|M]) :- P=..[R,A,C],
    !, P2=..[R,B,C], change_variable2(A,B,L,M).
change_variable2(A,B,[P|L],[P2|M]) :- P=..[R,C,A],
    !, P2=..[R,C,B], change_variable2(A,B,L,M).
change_variable2(A,B,[P|L],[P|M]) :- !, change_variable2(A,B,L,M).

good_assert(X) :- call(X), !.
good_assert(X) :- assertz(X), !.

/* I/O stuff */

ask :- abolish(meaning,1),
write('Type your question in English (no capitals or punctuation, please)'), nl,
readlineclump(L), write_parse(L,question).

carefulstate :- abolish(meaning,1), carefulstate2, bagof(M,meaning(M),ML),
    resolve_references(ML,ML2), write('Final meaning list is:'), nl,
    write(ML2), nl.
carefulstate2 :-
    write('Type your partial caption in English (no capitals or punctuation,'), nl,
    write('please), or empty line to stop:'), nl,
    readlineclump(L), carefulstate3(L).
carefulstate3([]) :- !.

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carefulstate3(L) :- careful_write_parse(L,caption), carefulstate2.

careful_write_parse(L,NAME) :- write(L), nl, not(badword(L,W)),
  bagof(ML,parse(L,NAME,[],ML),MLL), write_meanings(MLL),
  first(MLL,FML), assertz(meaning(FML)), !.
careful_write_parse(L,NAME) :- write('I cannot parse that.'), nl.

state :- initialize, state2, bagof(M,meaning(M),ML),
  resolve_references(ML,ML2), write('Final meaning list is:'), nl,
  write(ML2), nl.
state2 :- nl, write('Type your partial caption in English'),
  nl, write('empty line to stop:'),
  nl, readlineclump(L), fix_first_letter(L,L2), write(L2), nl, state3(L2).

initialize :- abolish(meaning,1), abolish(variable_name,1), abolish(parse_number,1),
  asserta(parse_number(1)).

fix_first_letter(WL,WL) :- propnoun(WL2,_), append(WL2,_,WL), !.
fix_first_letter([W|WL],[W|WL]) :- name(W,[N1|NL]), N1>96, !.
fix_first_letter([W|WL],[W|WL]) :- d(W,_,_), !.
fix_first_letter([W|WL],[NW|WL]) :- name(W,[N1|NL]), N2 is N1+32,
  name(NW,[N2|NL]), !.

state3([]) :- !.
state3(L) :- last(L,'period'), write_parse(L,snt), state2.
state3(L) :- not(last(L,'period')), write_parse(L,caption), state2.

write_parse(L,NAME) :- not(badword(L,W)), parse(L,NAME,[],ML),
  write_meaning(ML), assertz(meaning(ML)), !.

/* kmw - version
write_parse(L,NAME) :- write(L), nl, (badword(L,W), !, fail;
  parse(L,NAME,[],ML), assertz(meaning(ML)), !).
end kmw -version */
write_parse(L,NAME) :- nl, nl,
  write('!! structure error !!'),
  nl, nl, !, state2.

p(L) :- abolish(meaning,1), write_parse(L,caption), !.

write_meaning(ML) :- nl, write('My interpretation is:'), nl, write_list(ML), nl.
write_meanings([ML]) :- write('Only interpretation is:'), nl, write(ML), nl.

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write_meanings([ML]) :- write('Possible interpretations (first is preferred):'),
nl, write_list([ML]).  

/* A word not in dictionary nor parse rules is an error */
badword([L,W]) :- member(W,L), not(xd(W,PS)), write('word error:'), write(W), nl, !.  

/* "Extended dictionary"--confirms if something is word */
xd([W,RP]) :- d(W,RP,ML).  

xd([W,numeric]) :- numeric(W,ML), !.  

xd([W,propnoun]) :- capitalized(W),propnoun(WL,RP), member(W,WL), !.  

xd([W,adjective]) :- name(W,AW), append(AW1,[39,115],AW), name(W1,AW1),
(xd(W1,noun); xd(W1,propnoun); xd(W1,month)), !.  

xd([W,noun]) :- unplural(W,W2), d(W2,noun,ML2).  

xd([W,verb]) :- canonical_verb(W,W2,ML), d(W2,verb,ML2).  

xd([W,participle]) :- unparticiple(W,W2,ML), d(W2,verb,ML2).  

xd([W,noun]) :- name(W,[A]), not(number(W)).  

xd([W,adjective]) :- name(W,AW), append(AW1,[45|AW2],AW), name(W1,AW1),
name(W2,AW2), xd(W1), xd(W2).  

xd([W,W]) :- punctuation(W).  

punctuation(W) :- member(W,[period,comma,openpar,closepar,dash,semicolon]).  

atomic_part_of_speech(X) :- member(X,[propnoun,noun,verb,adjective,determiner,
preposition,numERIC,tobe,aux,adverb,period,comma,openpar,closepar,dash,
semicolon,conjunction,month,pronoun,clausehead,infinmarker,doesword]).  

/* Anaphoric references */  

/* This changes definite references (things in English preceded by "the") */
/* to the most recent noun of that kind. */  

resolve_references([ML,ML2]) :- resolve_references2([ML,ML3]),
delete_funny_preds([ML3,ML2]), !.  

resolve_references2([],[]) :- !.  

resolve_references2([ML],ML) :- !.  

resolve_references2([ML1,ML2|ML],OML) :- member(definite(X),ML2),
member(M,ML2), M=..[P,X], not(special_type(P)), M2=..[P,Y],
member(M2,ML1), not(X=Y), not(better_type_pred(P,X,ML2)),
!, delete(definite(X),ML2,ML2a), change_variable(X,Y,ML2a,ML2b),
resolve_references2([ML1,ML2b|ML],OML).  

resolve_references2([ML1,ML2|ML],OML) :- member(definite(X),ML2),
member(M,ML2), M=..[P,X,C], not(variable_name(C)), M2=..[P,Y,C],
member(M2,ML1), not(X=Y), !, delete(definite(X),ML2,ML2a),

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change_variable(X,Y,ML2a,ML2b), resolve_references2([ML1,ML2b|ML],OML).
resolve_references2([ML1,ML2|ML],OML) :- !, union(ML1,ML2,ML12),
    resolve_references2([ML12|ML],OML).

better_type_pred(P,X,ML) :- member(P,[region,geofeature,terrain]),
    not(special_type(P)), mernber(M3,ML), M3=..[Q,X],
    not(member(Q,[region,geofeature,terrain])), not(special_type(Q)).

delete_funny_preds([],[]).

delete_funny_preds([P|PL],NPL) :- P=..[Q,A], funny_type(Q), !,
    delete_funny_preds(PL,NPL).

delete_funny_preds([P|PL],[P|NPL]) :- delete_funny_preds(PL,NPL).

funny_type(P) :- member(P,[definite,indefinite]).
special_type(P) :- member(P,[definite,indefinite,plural]).

/* number processing -bh- */

numeric(W,ML) :- cardinal(W,Cval),
    append([amount],[cardinality(Cval)],ML).

numeric(W,ML) :- ordinal(W,Oval),
    append([rank],[cardinality(Oval)],ML).

cardinal(C,Cval) :- name(C,X),int(X),name(Cval,X).
cardinal(C,Cval) :- name(C,X),floating(X),name(Cval,X).
cardinal(C,Cval) :- name(C,X),fraction(X),name(Cval,X).

ordinal(O,Oval) :- name(O,X), last(X,LL),butlast(X,X1),
    last(X1,BL),butlast(X1,X2), int(X2), append([BL],[LL],Ord),
    ord(Ord),name(Oval,X2).
ord(OE) :- OE == [110,100].
ord(OE) :- OE == [114,100].
ord(OE) :- OE == [115,116].
ord(OE) :- OE == [116,104].

int(X) :- check_digit(X).

floating(X) :- singlember(46,X),left_side(X,46,[],Left,Right),
    check_digit(Left), check_digit(Right).

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fraction(X) :- singlember(47,X),left_side(X,47,[],Left,Right),
    check_digit(Left), check_digit(Right).

check_digit([]).
check_digit([Xf|Xr]) :- digit(Xf), check_digit(Xr).

left_side([],_,_,_,_).
left_side([Xf|Xr],T,XL,XL,Xr) :- Xf == T.
left_side(X,T,XL,XI,Xr) :- first(X,Xf), append(XL,[Xf],XL2),
    tail(X,XR), left_side(XR,T,XL2,XI,Xr).

digit(D) :- singlember(D,[48,49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57]).
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/\* Input reading \*/

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readlineclump(L) :- niceread(S), clumpstring(S,AL), makenames(AL,L), !.
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makenames([],[]).
makenames([AL|LL],[NL|NLL]) :- name(NL,AL), makenames(LL,NLL).
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clumpstring(L3,[L1|L5]) :- nextclump(L3,[],L1,L2), !, clumpstring(L2,L5).
clumpstring(L,[L]) :- member(X,L), not(terminator(X)), !.
clumpstring(L,[]).
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nextclump([],L1,RL1,[]) :- not(L1=[]), !, reverse(L1,RL1).
nextclump([44|L],[],CL,L) :- !, name('comma',CL).
nextclump([44|L],L1,RL1,[44|L]) :- !, reverse(L1,RL1).
nextclump([46|L],[],CL,L) :- !, name('period',CL).
nextclump([46|L],L1,RL1,[46|L]) :- !, reverse(L1,RL1).
nextclump([40|L],[],CL,L) :- !, name('openpar',CL).
nextclump([40|L],L1,RL1,[40|L]) :- !, reverse(L1,RL1).
nextclump([41|L],[],CL,L) :- !, name('closepar',CL).
nextclump([41|L],L1,RL1,[41|L]) :- !, reverse(L1,RL1).
nextclump([T|L],[],L2,L3) :- terminator(T), !, nextclump(L,[],L2,L3).
nextclump([T|L],L1,RL1,L) :- terminator(T), !, reverse(L1,RL1).
nextclump([X|L],L1,L2,L3) :- nextclump(L,[X|L1],L2,L3).
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terminator(9).
terminator(32).
terminator(58).
terminator(59).
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niceread(L) :- checkretract(readbuff(L2)), asserta(readbuff([])), niceread2(L), !.
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niceread2(L) :- get0(C), niceread3(C,L).
niceread3(10,L) :- !, readbuff(L2), reverse(L2,L).
niceread3(C,L) :- readbuff(L3), retract(readbuff(L3)),
    asserta(readbuff([C|L3])), niceread2(L).

checkretract(S) :- call(S), retract(S), !.
checkretract(S).

/* List processing */

first([X|L],X).

last([X],X) :- !.
last([X|L],Y) :- last(L,Y).

tail([X|Tail],Tail).

emptylist([]).

butlast(L,M) :- append(M,[X],L).

union([],L,L).
union([X|L],L2,L3) :- singlember(X,L2), !, union(L,L2,L3).
union([X|L],L2,[X|L3]) :- union(L,L2,L3).

some_pair_intersect(LL,[ ]).
some_pair_intersect(LL,[I2|L2]) :- list(I2), !, append(LL1,[L|LL2],LL),
    intersect(L,I2), !, some_pair_intersect(LL2,L2).
some_pair_intersect(LL,[I2|L2]) :- append(LL1,[L|LL2],LL),
    member(I2,L), !, some_pair_intersect(LL2,L2).

intersect(L1,L2) :- member(X,L1), member(X,L2), !.

member(X,[X|L]).
member(X,[Y|L]) :- member(X,L).

singlember(X,[X|L]) :- !.
singlember(X,[Y|L]) :- singlember(X,L).

delete(X,[],[]).
delete(X,[X|L],M) :- !, delete(X,L,M).
delete(X,[Y|L],[Y|M]) :- delete(X,L,M).

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append([],L,L).
append([X|L],L2,[X|L3]) :- append(L,L2,L3).

reverse(L,R) :- reverse2(L,[],R).
reverse2([],L,L) :- !.
reverse2([X|L],R,S) :- reverse2(L,[X|R],S).

cut_to_length(L,N,L2) :- append(L1,L2,L), length(L2,N), !.

list([A|B]). 
list([]).

write_list([]).
write_list([L|LL]) :- write(L), write(' '), write_list(LL).

/* Routine to take a meaning list and write it into a file */
/* in the form of a rule, with true variables (upper case) substituted */
/* and the first argument changed to the picture number described */

writefacts(ML,File,Picture) :- tell(File), writefacts2(ML,Picture), told.
writefacts2([],N).
writefacts2([M|ML],N) :- writefacts3(M,N), write('.'), nl, writefacts2(ML,N).
writefacts3(M,N) :- atom(M), MW=..[M,N], writeq(MW).
writefacts3(M,N) :- M=..[P,A], MW=..[P,N,A], writeq(MW).
writefacts3(M,N) :- M=..[P,A,B], MW=..[P,N,A,B], writeq(MW).

/* Routine to find a picture description that contains something matching */
/* a given natural-language query. It first parses the (possibly multiline) */
/* query into a meaning list. It then translates the pseudo-variables in */
/* the meaning list into true variables (by the trick of writing the */
/* pseudo-variables with initial capitals into a file, then loading file). */
/* It then executes the list of expressions with variables as a query of */
/* conjunctive terms, and returns as answer the filled-in query. */
/* (Picture-description files must be loaded before this program is run.) */

query(File,Id) :- abolish(meaning,1), write('type your questions :'), nl, state2,
  bagof(M,meaning(M),ML), resolve_references(ML,ML2),
  translate_query(ML2,File), query_pred(Id).

query_pred(Id) :- query_pred1(Id1), write(Id), write(' = '), write(Id1), nl.

queryc(File) :- abolish(meaning,1), write('type your questions :'), nl, state2,

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bagof(M,meaning(M),ML), resolve_references(ML,ML2),
translate_query(ML2,File).

/* This following is required because Prolog does not send the bindings
to stdout! */

query_predc(Id) :- query_pred1(Id1), write(Id), write(' = '), write(Id1), nl,
get0(C), fail.

translate_query(ML,File) :- tell(File),
write('query_pred1(Id) :- '), translate_query2(ML), write('.'), nl,
told, reconsult(File).
translate_query2([M]) :- translate_term(M), !.
translate_query2([M|ML]) :- translate_term(M), write(','), nl,
translate_query2(ML).

translate_term(M) :- atom(M), write(M), write('Id)'), !.
translate_term(M) :- M=..[P,A], variablize(A,VA), write(P),
write('Id,'), write(VA), write(')'), !.
translate_term(M) :- M=..[P,A,B], variablize(A,VA), variablize(B,VB),
write(P), write('Id,'), write(VA), write(','), write(VB), write(')'), !.

variablize(S,VS) :- possible_variable_name(S), name(S,[AL|AN]),
upper_case_ascii(AL,AU), name(VS,[AU|AN]), !.
variablize([S],[VS]) :- variablize(S,VS).
variablize([S|SL],[VS|VSL]) :- possible_variable_name(S), name(S,[AL|AN]),
upper_case_ascii(AL,AU), name(VS,[AU|AN]), variablize(SL,VSL), !.
variablize(S,S).

upper_case_ascii(AL,AU) :- AU is AL-32.

/* execute_list_query([]).

execute_list_query([M|ML]) :- call(M), execute_list_query(ML). */

/* introduce class hierarchies for nouns - bh - */

inherit_attr(ML,ML) :- not(member(superclasses(ID,Obj,ClassList),ML)), !.

inherit_attr(ML,MLout) :-
member(superclasses(ID,Obj,ClassList),ML),

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delete(superclasses(ID,Obj,ClassList),ML,ML2),
add_superclass_attr(ID,ClassList,ML2,ML3),
inherit_attr(ML3,MLout).

add_superclass_attr(ID, [], ML, ML).

add_superclass_attr(ID,[Class|RClassList],ML,MLout) :-
d(Class,noun,MLraw),
addvar(ID,MLraw,MLsup),
union(MLsup,ML,ML3),
add_superclass_attr(ID,RClassList,ML3,MLout).

/* Prints the cached info */
pc :- listing(cached_parse), listing(cached_failed_parse).

stat(a).

same(A,A).
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## APPENDIX H

### CURRENT DICTIONARY

This appendix provides the dictionary that was used to parse the captions. Each entry is classified by its part of speech and contains a meaning-list for each sense of the word.

adjective('Allied',[nationality(allied)]).  
adjective('American',[nationality(us)]).  
adjective('Japanese',[nationality(japan)]).  
adjective('NATO',[nationality(nato)]).  
adjective('Philippine',[nationality(phiippine)]).  
adjective('Russian',[nationality(ussr)]).  
adjective('Soviet',[nationality(ussr)]).  
adjective('US',[nationality(us)]).  
adjective(americian,[nationality(us)]).  
adjective(bare,[terrain(unforested)]).  
adjective(battered,[state(damaged)]).  
adjective(big,[size(+)]).  
adjective(black,[color(black)]).  
adjective(british,[nationality(uk)]).  
adjective(broad,[width(+)]).  
adjective(bursting,[action(+)]).  
adjective(clustered,[dispersion(narrow)]).  
adjective(coastal,[terrain(coast)]).  
adjective(constant,[action(speed(0))]).  
adjective(crazy,[action(eratic)]).  
adjective(decisive,[action(thought)]).  
adjective(dive,[action(-)]).  
adjective(down,[direction(-)]).  
adjective(east,[direction(90)]).  
adjective(eight,[cardinality(8)]).  
adjective(evasive,[action(movement)]).  
adjective(fast,[action(speed(+))]).  
adjective(few,[cardinality(-)]).  
adjective(first,[cardinality(1)]).  
adjective(five,[cardinality(5)]).

adjective(flat,[height(0)]).  
adjective(forested,[terrain(forested)]).  
adjective(four,[cardinality(4)]).  
adjective(frantic,[action(speed(+))]).  
adjective(german,[nationality(germany)]).  
adjective(gray,[color(gray)]).  
adjective(heavy,[weight(+)]).  
adjective(heterogeneous,[texture(rough)]).  
adjective(high,[height(+)]).  
adjective(homogeneous,[texture(smooth)]).  
adjective(landlocked,[terrain(seashore)]).  
adjective(large,[size(+)]).  
adjective(left,[xcoordinate(-)]).  
adjective(lone,[cardinality(1)]).  
adjective(long,[size(+)]). /\* bh \*/  
adjective(lower,[ycoordinate(-)]).  
adjective(main,[main]).  
adjective(major,[major]).  
adjective(many,[cardinality(+)]).  
adjective(middle,[xcoordinate(0),ycoordinate(0)]).  
adjective(mixed,[texture(rough)]).  
adjective(narrow,[width(-)]).  
adjective(nato,[nationality(nato)]).  
adjective(naval,[military(navy)]).  
adjective(near,[distance(-)]).  
adjective(nine,[cardinality(9)]).  
adjective(no,[cardinality(0)]).  
adjective(north,[direction(0)]).  
adjective(northeast,[direction(45)]).  
adjective(northwest,[direction(315)]).  
adjective(one,[cardinality(1)]).  
adjective(open,[unlocked,purpose]). /\* bh \*/  
adjective(other,[cardinality(1),different]).  
adjective(pre,[prefix(+),before]).  
adjective(reinforced,[action(+)]).  
adjective(right,[xcoordinate(+)]).  
adjective(rough,[texture(rough)]).  
adjective(russian,[nationality(ussr)]).  
adjective(scarche,[dispersion(wide)]).  
adjective(scattered,[dispersion(wide)]).  
adjective(second,[cardinality(1),different]).  
adjective(separate,[cardinality(1),different]).  
adjective(seven,[cardinality(7)]).

adjective(sharp,[sharp]).  
adjective(short,[height(-)]).  
adjective(similar,[similar]).  
adjective(single,[cardinality(1)]).  
adjective(six,[cardinality(6)]).  
adjective(slim,[width(-)]).  
adjective(small,[size(-)]).  
adjective(smooth,[texture(smooth)]).  
adjective(south,[direction(180)]).  
adjective(southeast,[direction(135)]).  
adjective(southwest,[direction(225)]).  
adjective(soviet,[nationality(ussr)]).  
adjective(strong,[strength(+)]).  
adjective(such,[such]).  
adjective(tall,[height(+)]).  
adjective(three,[cardinality(3)]).  
adjective(this,[this]).  
adjective(tiny,[size(-)]).  
adjective(two,[cardinality(2)]).  
adjective(up,[direction(+)]).  
adjective(upper,[ycoordinate(+)]).  
adjective(us,[nationality(us)]).  
adjective(various,[cardinality(+)]).  
adjective(west,[direction(270)]).  
adjective(western,[direction(270)]).  
adjective(white,[color(white)]).  
adjective(wide,[width(+)]).  
adjective(wild,[action(wild)]).  
  
adverb(about,[time(short)]).  
adverb(afire,[action(burn)]).  
adverb(after,[time(past)]).  
adverb(ashore,[place(beach)]).  
adverb(away,[direction(+)]).  
adverb(crazily,[motion(eratic)]).  
adverb(down,[vert\_direction(-)]).  
adverb(east,[direction(90)]).  
adverb(fast,[motion(+)]).  
adverb(frantically,[motion(+)]).  
adverb(just,[time(0)]).  
adverb(midway,[place(center)]).  
adverb(north,[direction(0)]).  
adverb(northeast,[direction(45)])�.

adverb(northwest,[direction(315)]).  
adverb(not,[state(-)]).  
adverb(now,[time(0)]).  
adverb(often,[frequency(high)]).  
adverb(out,[direction(0)]).  
adverb(quickly,[time(short)]).  
adverb(sharply,[sharp(0)]).  
adverb(soon,[time(short)]).  
adverb(south,[direction(180)]).  
adverb(southeast,[direction(135)]).  
adverb(southwest,[direction(225)]).  
adverb(still,[frequency(0)]).  
adverb(today,[time(0)]).  
adverb(tomorrow,[time(1)]).  
adverb(up,[vert\_direction(+)]).  
adverb(well,[state(+)]).  
adverb(west,[direction(270)]).  
adverb(westward,[direction(270)]). /\* bh \*/  
adverb(wildly,[motion(eratic)]).  
adverb(yesterday,[time(-1)])�.

determiner(a,[indefinite]).  
determiner(an,[indefinite]).  
determiner(the,[definite]).

conjunction(and,[conjunction(and)]).  
conjunction(as,[conjunction(as)]).  
conjunction(but,[conjunction(and)]).  
conjunction(or,[conjunction(or)]).  
conjunction(plus,[conjunction(and)]).  
conjunction(so,[conjunction(and)]).  
conjunction(while,[conjunction(and)]).

infinmarker(to,[infinmarker]).

pronoun(another,[pronoun(another)]).  
pronoun(several,[pronoun(several)]).  
pronoun(that,[pronoun(that)]).

pronoun(he,[perprn(he)]).  
pronoun(she,[perprn(she)]).  
pronoun(it,[perprn(it)]).  
pronoun(we,[perprn(we)]).

pronoun(they,[perprn(they)]).

pronoun(his,[posprn(his)]).

pronoun(her,[posprn(her)]).

pronoun(our,[posprn(our)]).

pronoun(their,[posprn(their)]).

clausehead(as,[clshead(as)]).

clausehead(that,[clshead(that)]).

clausehead(which,[clshead(which)]).

clausehead(who,[clshead(who)]).

:month('April',[name('April'),month\_name]).

month('August',[name('August'),month\_name]).

month('December',[name('December'),month\_name]).

month('February',[name('February'),month\_name]).

month('January',[name('January'),month\_name]).

month('July',[name('July'),month\_name]).

month('June',[name('June'),month\_name]).

month('March',[name('March'),month\_name]).

month('May',[name('May'),month\_name]).

month('November',[name('November'),month\_name]).

month('October',[name('October'),month\_name]).

month('September',[name('September'),month\_name]).

month('Apr',[name('April'),month\_name]).

month('Aug',[name('August'),month\_name]).

month('Dec',[name('December'),month\_name]).

month('Feb',[name('February'),month\_name]).

month('Jan',[name('January'),month\_name]).

month('Jul',[name('July'),month\_name]).

month('Jun',[name('June'),month\_name]).

month('Mar',[name('March'),month\_name]).

month('Nov',[name('November'),month\_name]).

month('Oct',[name('October'),month\_name]).

month('Sep',[name('September'),month\_name]).

noun(action,[action]).

noun(afternoon,[time\_loc]).

noun(air,[air]).

noun(aircraft,[aircraft]).

noun(aircraft\_carrier,[ship,aircraft\_carrier]).

noun(area,[region]).

noun(army,[army,organization]).

noun(arroyo,[river,geofeature]).  
noun(atlantic,[ocean]).  
noun(attack,[attack]).  
noun(attention,[attention]).  
noun(autumn,[time\_loc]).  
noun(base,[base]).  
noun(based,[base]).  
noun(battleship,[superclasses(battleship,[warship]),battle,size(+)]).  
noun(beach,[geofeature]).  
noun(beaches,[geofeature]).  
noun(bend,[turn]).  
noun(blow,[blow]).  
noun(boat,[ship]).  
noun(bomb,[bomb]).  
noun(bombardment,[bombardment]).  
noun(bomber,[bomber]).  
noun(boundary,[edge,boundary]).  
noun(bow,[bow]).  
noun(brush,[vegetation(-)]).  
noun(bunch,[set]).  
noun(bush,[plant(0)]).  
noun(caliber,[caliber]).  
noun(carrier,[carrier,vehicle]).  
noun(cave,[geofeature]).  
noun(class,[class]).  
noun(column,[column]).  
noun(convoy,[set]).  
noun(couple,[set]).  
noun(cover,[terrain]).  
noun(craft,[craft]).  
noun(creek,[river,geofeature]).  
noun(crossroads,[junction]).  
noun(cruiser,[superclasses(cruiser,[warship]),size(-)]).  
noun(cutter,[ship,cutter]).  
noun(dawn,[time\_loc]).  
noun(day,[time\_loc]).  
noun(decade,[time\_loc]).  
noun(demining,[demine]).  
noun(destroyer,[superclasses(destroyer,[warship]),size(-)]).  
noun(destruction,[destruction]).  
noun(dusk,[time\_loc]).  
noun(earth,[terrain,earth]).  
noun(east,[region,right\_region,xcoordinate(+)]).

noun(edge,[edge,boundary]).  
noun(effort,[effort]).  
noun(enemy,[enemy]).  
noun(engagement,[engagement]).  
noun(evening,[time\_loc]).  
noun(fall,[time\_loc]).  
noun(fight,[fight]).  
noun(firing,[fire]).  
noun(flame,[flame]).  
noun(fleet,[set]).  
noun(force,[force]).  
noun(forest,[vegetation(+)]).  
noun(foreground,[foreground]).  
noun(fregate,[ship,fregate]).  
noun(freighter,[ship,freighter]).  
noun(future,[time\_loc]).  
noun(grass,[terrain,grass]).  
noun(ground,[ground]).  
noun(group,[set]).  
noun(gun,[gun]).  
noun(gunboat,[ship,gunboat]).  
noun(half,[half,region,size(big)]).  
noun(harbor,[harbor]).  
noun(hill,[hill,geofeature]).  
noun(hour,[time\_loc]).  
noun(infantry,[infantry]).  
noun(installation,[installation]).  
noun(intersection,[junction]).  
noun(invader,[invader]).  
noun(invasion,[invasion]).  
noun(jeep,[jeep,vehicle]).  
noun(junction,[junction]).  
noun(lake,[sea(-)]).  
noun(land,[terrain,earth]).  
noun(landing,[landing]).  
noun(left,[region,xcoordinate(-)])�.  
noun(life,[life]).  
noun(line,[line]). /\* KMW \*/  
noun(litter,[litter]).  
noun(maneuver,[maneuver]).  
noun(marine,[marine]).  
noun(merchant,[merchant]).  
noun(middle,[region,xcoordinate(0),ycoordinate(0)]).

noun(midnight,[time\_loc]).  
noun(minute,[time\_loc]).  
noun(month,[time\_loc]).  
noun(morning,[time\_loc]).  
noun(motion,[motion]).  
noun(mountain,[mountain,geofeature]).  
noun(moving,[move]).  
noun(navy,[navy,organization]).  
noun(night,[time\_loc]).  
noun(noon,[time\_loc]).  
noun(north,[region,upper\_region,ycoordinate(+)]).  
noun(northeast,[region,upper\_right\_region,xcoordinate(+),ycoordinate(+)]).  
noun(northwest,[region,upper\_left\_region,xcoordinate(-),ycoordinate(+)]).  
noun(number,[set]).  
noun(object,[region]).  
noun(ocean,[sea,geofeature]).  
noun(order,[order]).  
noun(past,[time\_loc]).  
noun(path,[road(-)]).  
noun(plane,[plane]).  
noun(plant,[plant]).  
noun(pond,[lake(-)]).  
noun(position,[position]).  
noun(present,[time\_loc]).  
noun(raid,[action]).  
noun(region,[region]).  
noun(resistance,[resistance]).  
noun(right,[region,xcoordinate(+)]).  
noun(river,[river,geofeature]).  
noun(road,[road(+)]).  
noun(rock,[terrain,rock]).  
noun(route,[road(+)]).  
noun(sand,[terrain,sand]). /\* KMW \*/  
noun(sea,[sea,geofeature]).  
noun(second,[time\_loc]).  
noun(set,[set]).  
noun(shape,[region]).  
noun(shell,[shell]).  
noun(ship,[ship,vehicle]).  
noun(shore,[shore]).  
noun(shot,[shot]).  
noun(shrub,[plant(0)]).  
noun(side,[side,region]).

noun(sight,[sight]).  
noun(smoke,[smoke]).  
noun(soldier,[soldier]).  
noun(south,[region,lower\_region,ycoordinate(-)]).  
noun(southeast,[region,lower\_right\_region,xcoordinate(+),ycoordinate(-)]).  
noun(southwest,[region,lower\_left\_region,xcoordinate(-),ycoordinate(-)]).  
noun(spot,[region]).  
noun(spring,[time\_loc]).  
noun(steam,[steam]).  
noun(stern,[stern]).  
noun(stream,[river,geofeature]).  
noun(stretch,[region]).  
noun(strike,[strike]).  
noun(strip,[strip,region,shape(narrow)]).  
noun(stronghold,[stronghold]).  
noun(submarine,[ship,under\_surface\_vehicle]).  
noun(summer,[time\_loc]).  
noun(sunrise,[time\_loc]).  
noun(sunset,[time\_loc]).  
noun(tank,[tank,vehicle]).  
noun(tanker,[ship,tanker]).  
noun(terrain,[terrain]).  
noun(there,[location]).  
noun(ton,[ton]).  
noun(track,[road(-)]).  
noun(tree,[plant(+)]).  
noun(trouble,[trouble]).  
noun(turn,[turn]).  
noun(u-boat,[ship,under\_surface\_vehicle]).  
noun(vain,[vain]).  
noun(vegetation,[vegetation]).  
noun(vessel,[ship,vehicle]).  
noun(victory,[victory]).  
noun(waiting,[wait,action]).  
noun(warehouse,[warehouse]).  
noun(warship,[superclasses(warship,[navy,ship]),warship,color(gray)])).  
noun(water,[water]).  
noun(wave,[sea,geofeature]).  
noun(way,[way]).  
noun(week,[time\_loc]).  
noun(west,[region,lower\_region,xcoordinate(-)]).  
noun(winter,[time\_loc]).  
noun(year,[time\_loc]).

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preposition(after,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(along,[property(location)]).  
preposition(among,[property(part_inside)]).  
preposition(as,[property(coagent)]).  
preposition(at,[property(location)]).  
preposition(at,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(before,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(below,[property(location)]).  
preposition(beside,[property(location)]).  
preposition(between,[property(location)]).  
preposition(by,[property(coagent)]).  
preposition(by,[property(location)]).  
preposition(during,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(for,[property(beneficiary)]).  
preposition(for,[property(purpose)]).  
preposition(for,[property(location)]).  
preposition(for,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(from,[property(source)]).  
preposition(from,[property(time_src)]).  
preposition(in,[property(inside)]).  
preposition(in,[property(in_period)]).  
preposition(into,[property(inside)]).  
preposition(near,[property(location)]).  
preposition(of,[property(coagent)]).  
preposition(of,[property(part_of)]).  
preposition(of,[property(subtype)]).  
preposition(off,[property(location)]).  
preposition(on,[property(location)]).  
preposition(on,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(onto,[property(above)]).  
preposition(over,[property(above)]).  
preposition(through,[property(part_inside)]).  
preposition(through,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(to,[property(destination)]).  
preposition(to,[property(time_dest)]).  
preposition(under,[property(below)]).  
preposition(until,[property(time_spec)]).  
preposition(with,[property(coagent)]).  
preposition(with,[property(contains)]).  
preposition(with,[property(tool)]).  
preposition(within,[property(in_period)]).  
preposition(within,[property(inside)]).
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propnoun('carrier-based',[name('carrier-based'),coagent]).  
propnoun('land-locked',[name('land-locked'),geofeature]).  
propnoun('pre-invasion',[name('pre-invitation'),action]).

propnoun('Hunter-Liggett',[name('Hunter-Liggett'),place]).  
propnoun('Christmas',[name('Christmas'),holiday\_name]).  
propnoun('Japanese',[name('Japanese')]).  
propnoun('Jolon',[name('Jolon'),place]).  
propnoun('Kongo',[name('Kongo')]).  
propnoun('LCI',[name('LCI(G)')]).  
propnoun('MacArthur',[name('MacArthur')]).  
propnoun('Macy''s',[name('Macy''s'),place]).  
propnoun('Marine',[name('Marine'),military]).  
propnoun('Marines',[name('Marines'),military]).  
propnoun('Marine','Corps',[name('Marine Corps'),military]).  
propnoun('Midway',[name('Midway'),place]).  
propnoun('Missouri',[name('Missouri')]).  
propnoun('Morotai',[name('Morotai'),place]).  
propnoun('Nachi',[name('Nachi')]).  
propnoun('Navy',[name('Navy')]).  
propnoun('Nacimiento',[name('Nacimiento'),place]).  
propnoun('Pacific',[name('Pacific Ocean'),place]).  
propnoun('Philippines',[name('Philippines'),place]).  
propnoun('Rabaul',[name('Rabaul'),place]).  
propnoun('Saratoga',[name('Saratoga')]).  
propnoun('Shokaku',[name('Shokaku')]).  
propnoun('Soryu',[name('Soryu')]).  
propnoun(['U',period,'S',period],[name('U.S.'),place]).  
propnoun(['Columbus','Day'],[name('Columbus Day'),holiday\_name]).  
propnoun(['Independence','Day'],[name('Independence Day'),holiday\_name]).  
propnoun(['Fifth','Amphibious','Corps'],[name('Fifth Amphibious Corps')]).  
propnoun(['Iwo','Jima'],[name('Iwo Jima'),place]).  
propnoun(['Landing','Craft','Infantry','Gunboats'],[name('LCI(G)')]).  
propnoun(['Manila','Bay'],[name('Manila Bay'),place]).  
propnoun(['Morotai','Island'],[name('Morotai Island'),place]).  
propnoun(['New','Britain','Island'],[name('New Britain Island'),place]).  
propnoun(['New','Britain'],[name('New Britain'),place]).  
propnoun(['New','Guinea'],[name('New Guinea'),place]).  
propnoun(['Pacific','Ocean'],[name('Pacific Ocean'),place]).  
propnoun(['Philippine','Sea'],[name('Philippine Sea'),place]).  
propnoun(['Rabaul','Harbor'],[name('Rabaul Harbor'),place]).  
propnoun(['Sagami','Bay'],[name('Sagami Bay'),place]).  
propnoun(['Task','Force'],[name('Task Force')]).

propnoun(['Tokyo','Bay'],[name('Tokyo Bay'),place]).  
propnoun(['World','War','II'],[name('World War II'),war(ww2)]).  
propnoun('Zeros',[name('Zeros')]).

aux(being,[tense(past),singular]).  
aux(can,[tense(present),singular]).  
aux(could,[tense(past),singular]).  
aux(had,[tense(past),singular]).  
aux(has,[tense(past),singular]).  
aux(have,[tense(past),plural]).  
aux(may,[possibility]).  
aux(will,[tense(future)]).

doesword(did,[tense(past)]).  
doesword(do,[tense(present)]).  
doesword(does,[tense(present)]).  
doesword(has,[tense(past),singular]).  
doesword(have,[tense(past),plural]).

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tobe(was,[tense(past)]).  
tobe(were,[tense(past),plural]).  
tobe(were,[tense(subjunctive),singular]).

verb(abandon,[transitive]).  
verb(arrive,[intransitive]).  
verb(attack,[transitive]).  
verb(avoid,[transitive]).  
verb(base,[transitive]).  
verb(batter,[transitive]).  
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verb(burn,[transitive]).  
verb(burst,[transitive]).  
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verb(camouflage,[transitive]).  
verb(can,[transitive]).  
verb(churn,[transitive]).  
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verb(clear,[transitive]).  
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verb(cut,[transitive]).  
verb(defend,[transitive]).  
verb(demine,[transitive]).  
verb(depart,[intransitive]).  
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verb(end,[transitive]).  
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verb(flank,[transitive]).  
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verb(knock,[transitive]).  
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verb(reach,[transitive]).

verb(reinforce,[transitive]).  
verb(remain,[intransitive]).  
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verb(score,[transitive]).  
verb(scurry,[intransitive]).  
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verb(settle,[transitive]).  
verb(set,[transitive]).  
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verb(shoot,[transitive]).  
verb(sink,[transitive]).  
verb(smash,[transitive]).  
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verb(stay,[transitive]).  
verb(steam,[transitive]).  
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verb(strike,[transitive]).  
verb(surround,[transitive]).  
verb(take,[transitive]).  
verb(terminate,[transitive]).  
verb(try,[transitive]).  
verb(turn,[transitive]).  
verb(view,[transitive]).  
verb(visit,[transitive]).  
verb(wade,[transitive]).  
verb(wait,[transitive]).  
verb(want,[transitive]).

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